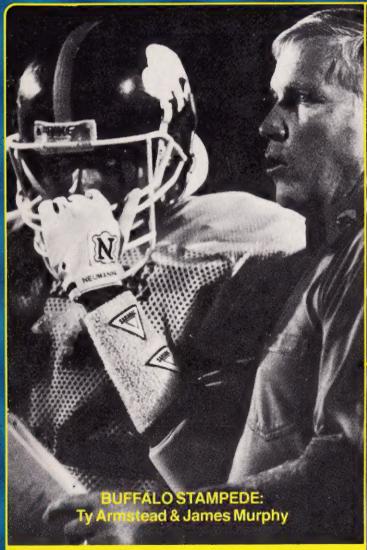
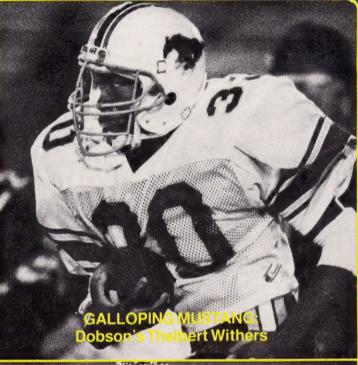
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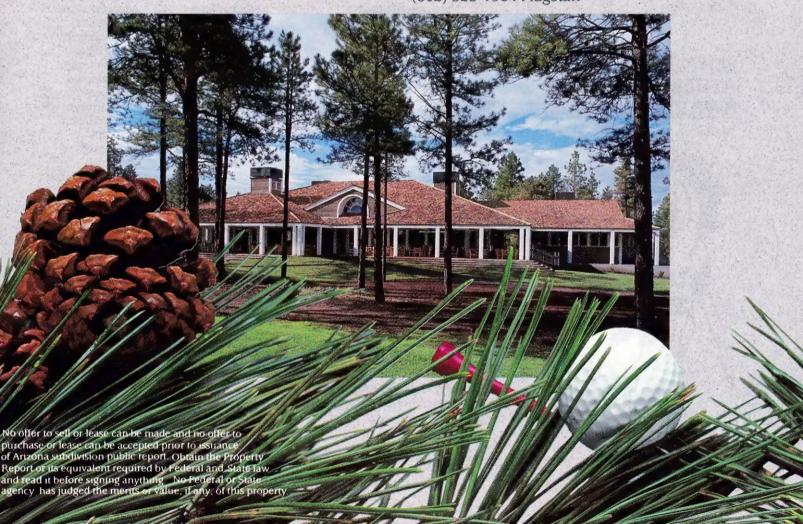
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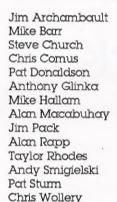
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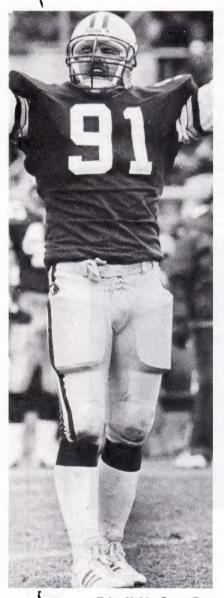
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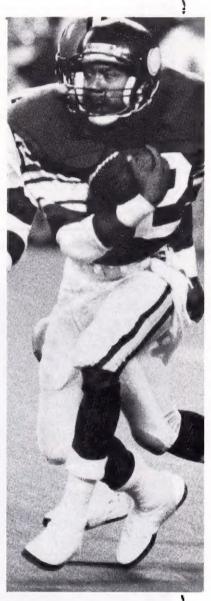
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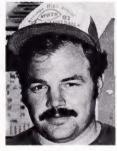
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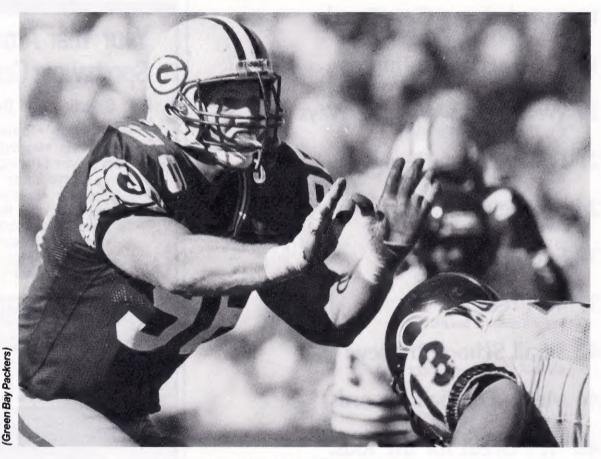


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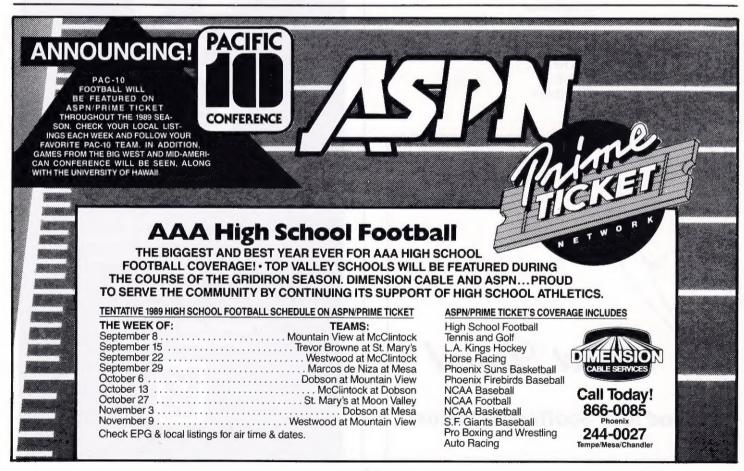
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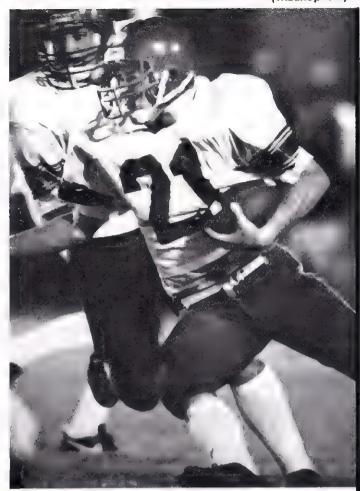
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Back To Devil Football

By Lonnie Collins

It's time to get back to Sun Devil football. That's what everybody in the program, from the coaching staff to the players, agree on.

What is Sun Devil football? A championship-caliber season, followed by a post-season bowl. Last year the Devils, under first-year coach Larry Marmie, dropped their season final to rival Arizona to finish 6-5.

"Half the schools in the country would give their athletic director's right arm to finsih with a winning season," said one ASU assistant. "But not here. Sun Devil football is more than just a winning season."

The Sun Devils could easily have won eight games, had injuries not shelved so many starters. But that's life in the world of NCAA football.



Sophomore fullback Kelvin Fisher.

"It's very simple," says Marmie, about the upcoming 1989 season. "We have to accomplish depth along both sides of the line, find a capable backup quarterback, and create consistency in the kicking game."

Last fall, it took ASU seven weeks to find him, but when sophomore QB Paul Justin won the job against Washington State, things changed.

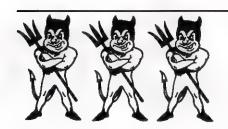
Justin, a 6-5, 196-pounder from Illinois, completed 84 of 150 passes for 1,063 yards and five scores. Better yet, he completed 56.0 percent of his aerials and tossed just two interceptions. He is the second-leading returning passer in the Pac-10, behind California's Troy Taylor.

"Paul is one of those quarterbacks who brings a certain amount of mental and physical toughness to the position," says Marmie, who was a college quarterback himself at Eastern Kentucky. "He performed well last year and finished on a strong note. He'll only get better and better."

One of the Devils' crucial objectives last spring was to establish a capable backup to Justin. Candidates include two former Arizona high school allstaters: Bobby Valdez (6-2, 181) from Tucson Sunnyside and John Bonds (6-5, 206) out of Phoenix St. Mary's. The third is Kurt Lasher (6-1, 190) of Fresno, Calif. None of the trio has a down of college experience to his credit.

For the second straight year, the offensive line will pose problems regarding depth and experience. However, seniors Fedel Underwood (6-4, 307) and Eddie Grant (6-2, 261) are returning starters. Grant started one game at center last year. Underwood can play guard or tackle. He'll be flanked by strong tackle Mike Ritter (6-7, 309), a redshirt sophomore. On the other side, the starters are slated to be redshirt junior Mark Hayes (6-7, 284) at tackle and redshirt soph Jeff White (6-3, 265) at guard.

Unlike the offensive line, Arizona State's backfield is solid. Returning for his final campaign is tailback Bruce Perkins (6-2, 229), the former junior college rushing champ. In his first year with the Devils, Perkins rushed 118 times for 446 yards and four touchdowns, leading the team in all three



catagories. His longest score was a 44-yarder against rival Arizona.

Perkins' backup will be senior David Winsley (5-5, 196). The former Flagstaff prep star was ASU's second-leading rusher with 357 yards. He is strong for his size: 420-pound bench press. Also competing for tailback will be senior Greg Rice (5-11, 181), redshirt frosh Tommy Harkrader (6-0, 184), and soph Kevin Galbreath (5-11, 178), the Phoenix player of the year in 1987 at Maryvale High. Galbreath is one of four former Maryvale products currently on scholarship.

Redshirt sophomore Kelvin Fisher (5-10, 199) returns at fullback. He gained 327 yards on 80 carries and caught 22 passes for 222 yards. Backups will include Keith Bowen (5-11, 211) and frosh Jeff Simoneau (6-0, 239), a former prep All-American from Kansas.

"We're young across the front. But at least we're game-tested."

Seniors Lynn James (6-1, 191) and Ron Fair (5-10, 195) will compete at flanker. James caught 14 passes for 293 yards and three scores - including an 80-yarder against Lamar and a 65-yarder against Oregon State. The former transfer from SMU also runs of the ASU track team. Fair is healthy and could be one of the Pac-10's best receivers.

Leland Adams should start at split end. He caught 22 footballs for 420 yards and a touchdown. Victor Cahoon has been moved from running back to wide receiver. Steve Martin missed spring drills while playing for the baseball team. But then he signed a pro contract. Also look for young players like Eric Guliford (5-7, 156), Kevin Snyder (5-8, 162) and Bryan Reeves (5-11, 170) to contribute.

"Receivers could be one of the deepest areas on the team," adds Marmie. "I think we need six at any given time because we sometimes like to play three. Last year we lost some people and without them lost our flexibility."

Tight end is also a strength. Ryan McReynolds (6-7, 252) and Scott Veach

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(6-4, 239) are veterans. McReynolds led all ASU receivers with 28 receptions and five touchdowns. He started the last nine games. Veach is another Maryvale High product who will see playing time.

Defensively, the forward wall was a weakness in 1988, but should be stronger and deeper. "We're young across the front," warns Marmie. "But at least we're game-tested. We have some experience now, unlike last year when we had first-year players at three positions."

Hopefully, senior Richard Davis (6-1, 263) will stay healthy to play in at least one game. Two different elbow injuries have kept him off the field for two years. Don Chuhlantseff (6-2, 241) and JC transfer Pat Mason (6-4, 250)give the nose guard depth. At tackle, sophomore Shane Collins (6-4, 272) led all linemen in tackles with 67, and is one of the best in the Pac-10. He missed spring ball because he was throwing the shot for the track team. He finsihed second in the conference with a toss of 59-11.

Three of the four players at the two defensive end positions are also sophomores: Tim Landers (6-3, 249), Bryan Hooks (6-4, 251), Israel Stanley (6-3, 241). Hooks is backed by Stanley while



Like legendary coach Frank Kush, Marmie (above) has been both an assistant and the head man of Arizona State.

Landers is backed by redshirt junior Mike Rasp (6-7, 242).

On the outside, ASU has excellent athletes in junior Terence Johnson (6-3, 233) and sophomore Darren Woodson (6-1, 204) at devil back, and junior Floyd Fields (6-2, 204) and Woodson at strong safety. Woodson is another Maryvale High graduate. The redshirt freshmen, Ivory Irvin (6-4, 205) and Derreck Moore (6-4, 191), have lots of tools. Redshirt frosh Arnold Laws (5-10, 175) is playing strong safety.

Second-team all-Pac-10 defender Mark Tingstad (6-1, 216) returns. The first-team Academic all-America led the conference with 172 tackles, then added three QB sacks, three fumble recoveries and nine deflected passes. He was the fourth leading tackler in the nation.

"Mark Tingstad is everything a coach could want," insists Marmie. "He's as hard a worker as you'll find, both on the field and in the classroom. I have the utmost respect for Mark."

The linebacker battle looms between Drew Metcalf (6-2, 220), Scott Walker (6-1, 224), Dwayne King (6-1, 221), Eric Berry (6-2, 214), Brett Wallerstedt (6-1, 212) and Greg Kordes (6-3, 224).

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Nathan LaDuke (5-10, 194), a junior from Phoenix Alhambra, anchors the defensive backfield. He's tough and makes the big play. But he's fighting a head injury and missed some games. "If he stays healthy, he can be one of the better backs in the country," says his coach. "I don't think there is a better free safety in the league."

Spelling LaDuke is junior Eric Crawford (5-10, 170), who also will back up

"The secondary just might be the deepest area of our team. We should have one of the better secondaries in the country."

right cornerback. He blocked a crucial field goal attempt in the Oregon game, a 21-20 Sun Devil win. Senior Lawrence Hubley (5-11, 178) strained ligaments in his knee against Oregon, but should be back. Eddie Stokes (5-8, 158) and Mark Smith (6-0, 191) are at left cornerback.

Others contributing to depth in the secondary include redshirt freshman Kevin Miniefield (5-9, 173) out of Phoenix Camelback, and junior college all-America Phillippi Sparks (6-0, 185), a Maryvale High and Glendale College product. Sparks is slated to compete at cornerback, but could also return kicks and punts. So could Miniefield.

For the first time in four years, Arizona State will be looking for a punter,

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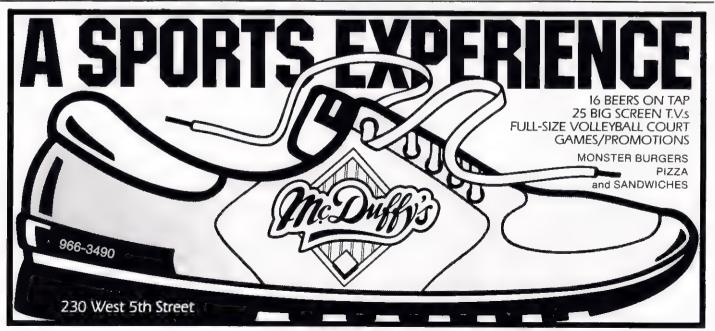
replacing three-time all-Pac-10 choice Mike Schuh. The Mesa Mountain View product averaged 41.6 yards during his career. Redshirt Steve Rausch (6-1, 187) can punt and kick field goals. But he may miss the season for a non-football related incident. Transfer Brad Williams (5-11, 171) may have the strongest leg in camp.

Senior Alan Zendejas (5-7, 197) kicked seven field goals, with the longest 49 yards. If Rausch plays, he'll battle Zendejas for the starting job.

For the first time since 1984, ASU will

have eight home games. For the past two seasons, all home games have been sold out. But with the Phoenix Cardinals now in their second season, that will be hard to match. Also, Sun Devil Stadium has now been expanded to just under 75,000 seats.

The ASU-Houston contest, which was originally scheduled for the Astrodome, was moved to Tempe. The Sun Devil-Cougar matchup in 1990, which was to be played in Tempe, will now be played in Tokyo, Japan, as part of the Coca-Cola Bowl.





Stump Mitchell leaves Tampa Bay behind.

Cardinals Search For Answers in '89

By David Kukulski

As Gene Stallings and his staff ready the Cardinals for their second season in Phoenix, they face many question-marks. What about Neil Lomax' arthritic hip which could end his season before it starts? How about the players who have yet to sign? Will the substantial investment in the Plan B free agents pay off? And, most importantly, can the Cardinals immediately put the clamps on a five-game losing streak that closed out a frustrating '88 campaign?

Phoenix should be favored in its season-opener against the Lions in Detroit on September 10th. But tough road contests versus the Seattle Seahawks and the New York Giants follow on the 17th and the 24th, respectively. Finally, on October 1st, the Big Red will play their home opener, hosting the San Diego Chargers.

The picture at quarterback is troubling. If Lomax is healthy, he's one of the

best in the NFL. The nine-year veteran from Portland State connected on 275 of 463 passes for a league-leading 3,387 yards, the second-most in Cardinal history. Lomax also registered 24 TD's and just 11 interceptions. He did all of that while missing two games entirely and parts of four others.

But the hip problems continue. Enter former Dallas and Indianapolis signal caller Gary Hogeboom, who will probably step in if Lomax can't go. Second-year pro Tom Tupa and recent addition Timm Rosenbach, taken in the June supplemental draft, need seasoning, but injuries could force them into early duty.

Crafty veterans Roy Green and J.T. Smith lead a flashy receiving corps. Green grabbed 68 balls for a healthy 1,097 yards a year ago, while Smith hauled in 83 catches for 986 yards. Ernie Jones was the third wideout, fin-

ishing his rookie season with 23 receptions for 496 yards. This trio accounted for 15 scores.

The picture at tight end is just as bright. Rob Awalt and Jay Novacek contributed 77 grabs for over 1,000 yards and eight touchdowns between them and second-round pick Walter Reeves should add more versatility to the position.

The running game features fullback Earl Ferrell, who just missed 1,000 yards rushing in '88, and halfback Stump Mitchell, who has gained nearly 4,500 yards on the ground in his Cardinal career. Unfortunately, only a little over 700 yards came last year, when he battled some injury problems. It's possible that second-year pros Tony Jordan and Tony Jeffery could challenge Mitchell this fall, while holdovers Ron Wolfley and Jessie Clark will join free agent Lydell Carr at fullback behind



Ferrell.

Of course, the anchor up front is Luis Sharpe, a two-time Pro Bowl honoree at tackle. Other mainstays should be veterans Tootie Robbins, Todd Peat, Lance Smith, Derek Kennard, Joe Bostic and Scott Dill. Plan B free agent Kani Kauahi, a former standout for Arizona State,

Phoenix' high powered offense still includes Roy Green (81) and J.T. Smith (84).

specializes as a long snapper. Giant rookies Joe Wolf, a first-round draftee, and Mike Zandofsky, taken in the third round, should also contend, especially later in the season.

Stallings' leaders on defense figure to be Freddie Joe Nunn at end and Tim McDonald at strong safety. Nunn, a fifth-year pro from Mississippi, was outstanding in '88. His 53 tackles and 14 sacks demonstrated good progress as a defensive end, which he has only played since '87. McDonald will call the defensive signals this fall, after leading the Cards with 115 stops a year ago.

Besides Nunn, watch for veterans Rod Saddler, Steve Alvord, Bob Clasby, David Galloway and Sean McNanie to vie for playing time. Gary Hadd is a Plan B free agent over from Buffalo who could help, while Niko Noga is making the move from middle linebacker to defensive end. At 6-1 and 235 pounds, he's not blessed with great size, but his strength and quickness could really help the defensive front. Phoenix needs more consistent play from its down linemen.



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Barbara Major/President Curtis Lee/Vice-President Darlene Spelce/Treasurer Jo Hoogendoorn/Secretary The Cardinals need more big plays from their linebacking corps and that's a top priority for the upcoming campaign. E.J. Junior wasn't protected and he signed with the Miami Dolphins in the spring. Ricky Hunley is expected to



Defensive end Freddie Joe Nunn.

start at middle linebacker, although free agent pickup Reggie McKenzie should provide plenty of competition. The outside spots belong to Anthony Bell and Ken Harvey, the club's top pick in '88. However, this year's top choice (and the 10th overall in the draft), Eric Hill, is expected to make his presence felt quickly. Free agents Garth Jax and Randy Kirk lend support.

The secondary is another questionmark, but McDonald could help change that. He's back for his first full season as a starter and he'll team with veteran Lonnie Young to give Phoenix an exceptional tandem at the safeties. Both must stay healthy. Young's season-ending injury versus Houston last season killed the Cardinals, contributing greatly to their untimely losing streak.

The corners are still unsettled. Cedric Mack and Carl Carter are the incumbants and should be the starters again, barring a trade. Free agent Michael Adams, Michael Brim, Roland Mitchell, Reggie Phillips and rookies Jay Taylor and Rickey Royal will all try to help.

Both kicking jobs are wide open. If Al Del Greco is to keep his Cardinal uniform, he must fight off the challenge of free agent Teddy Garcia, formerly of New England, and draftee Kendall Trainor from Arkansas. Punter Greg Horne signed with the Redskins, so either Tupa or Rich Camarillo should claim that job.

Vai Sikahema is among the best return men in the game; he'll try to shake off the knee injury that sidelined him for part of last year. The Cardinals are confident Sikahema will regain the form that carried him to the Pro Bowl in each

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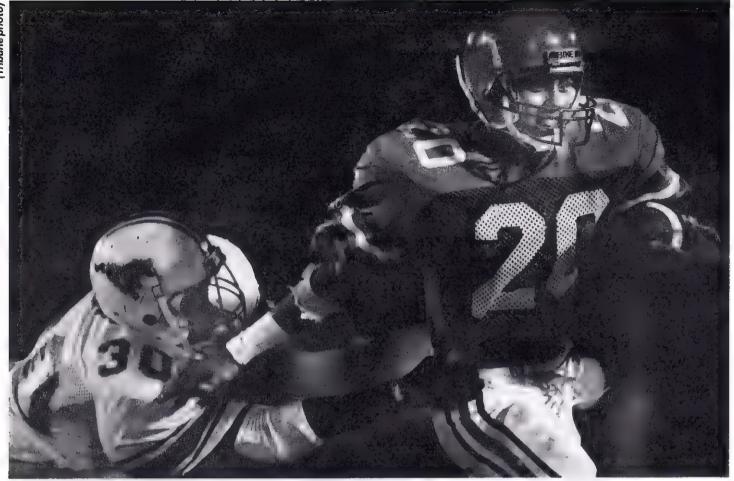
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Danny White should be proud. So should Pete Mandley, Ronnie Bonner and Bob Soza. Or the late Edgar "Mutt" Ford and Chris Emerson.

Westwood finally won it all.

Has it really been 24 years since Westwood last won the state championship? In football? Has it been more than two decades since quarterback David Cummard and mini-backs Ric Watson and Bill Bailey beat Camelback in the state finals?

Coached by the legendary Ford, Westwood had to play Don Baker's Spartans without their star fullback, big (6-0, 202) Jim Boubelik, who went down with a leg injury against Tucson Salpointe in the semifinals. Remember?

With no running game in sight, Westwood used a dramatically successful defense and the toe of Rudy Santa Cruz to beat the Phoenix school, 10-7, before 18,000 fans at Arizona State. Camelback had a 16-game winning string scissored. The Warriors finished 12-0. It was Ford's last championship season. Today, the late coach's 226 career wins is still a state record.

But how about all those other great Westwood teams? They never won a state championship?

Nope.

Not even with the likes of Bob Soza and Jay Ray Rokey, Danny White and Dick Harris, Ronnie Bonner and Allen Glasenapp, or Pete Mandley and the late Chris Emerson. And the coaching was superb: Ford, Dave Gates, Joe Pico, Jerry Loper.

So good was Westwood in 1969; the Warriors scored 100 points against Yuma Kofa. They played everybody but the waterboy. Quarterback Danny White kicked a state-record 15 extra points.

"The criticism we received after

that game was unfair to the kids and the school," Gates said later. "We even got bad mail for a while. It was probably our best team ever. But we seemed to peak after that. We went down-hill from there. We lost our last game to McClintock and made more mistakes in one quarter than we made all season."

One year later, Tucson High held off a last minute Westwood rally to win a 39-34 shootout in the AAA semifinals at the University of Arizona. It was one of the greatest high school games in Arizona history - if not the greatest. Tucson's crushing running attack rolled up 420 yards against a Westwood defense which had blanked half its opponents.

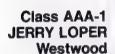
"We just ran out of steam," Gates explained. "They had too many horses. They were one of the biggest and best

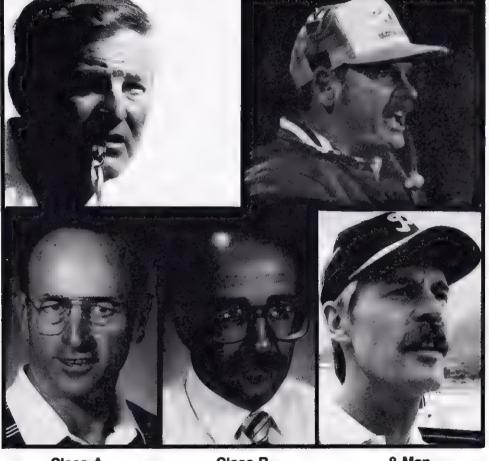
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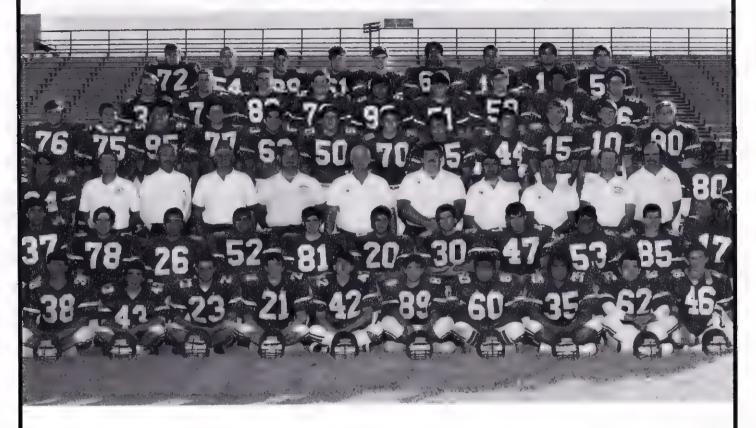


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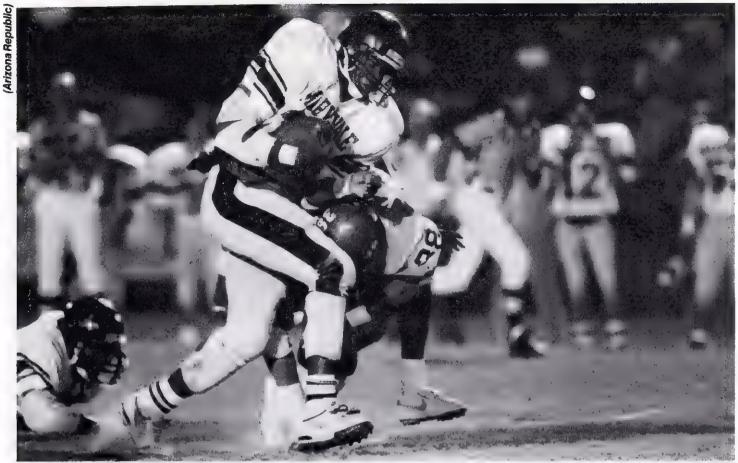


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Maryvale's Marcus Dickson shrugs aside Trevor Browne defender for a long gain.

5A: Maryvale Top Pick!

The Panthers get closer each year. Closer to the state championship throne. Soon, they'll kick the door down. Is this the year?

Last fall, **MARYVALE** was derailed on the way to the finals, 28-8 by Mesa Mountain View. The memory of that game is a good motivater.

"We were real young last year," says Buck Hall, 38-10 in the last four years. "The underclassmen learned the offense and defense and matured in a hurry. If we don't have any major injuries, or academic casualties, we could be competitive."

That's an understatement.

Sixteen lettermen, most of them starters, are back. The Panthers are talented. If the city's top-ranked club develops a quarterback in the off-season, they'll be real tough. They'd be tough without one. Maryvale could have the best offensive line and running attack in Phoenix.

The big weapon is tailback Marcus Dickson (6-3, 230), a pre-season prep All-American with size, speed and agility. He runs 40 yards in 4.6 seconds,

rushed for 900 yards as a junior, and started on the basketball team.

Dickson will line up behind the city's biggest forward wall: tackles Frank Garcia (6-2, 260) and Mark Marks (6-0, 260), guards Sam Melvin (6-0, 215) and Steve Syers (5-11, 195). Three outstanding defensive players include OLB Elijah McFadden (6-1, 170), OLB Curtis Rowe

5A— METRO REGION

- 1. Phoenix Maryvale
- 2. Phoenix Trevor Browne
- 3. Phoenix Alhambra
- 4. South Mountain
- 5. Phoenix Camelback
- 6. Phoenix Carl Hayden

(6-1, 190) and DL Danny Baker (6-1, 220). All three will show up on offense as well, McFadden as a WR, Rowe at TE and Baker at tackle.

Speed has always been a Panther trademark. Several football players ran on Maryvale's blazing (42.41) 400-meter

relay team. One potential standout is George Page, if he goes out for football. The speedy sophomore ran 100-meters in 10.91 seconds as a freshman, 200meters in 21.90.

It's been a good decade for the Panthers, although they haven't reached the state finals since 1975. And the Phoenix school has become a happy hunting ground for college scouts. Four former Panthers could potentially start at Arizona State University: DB Darren Woodson, TE Scott Vech, RB Kevin Galbreath and DB Phillippi Sparks.

It's been a good decade for **TREVOR BROWNE**, also. The Bruins, coached by Bill Mitton, have won 74% of their games since 1980. Their 83-28-0 log is the best in the city. "We'll be better," remarks Mitton, who finished 7-4 last fall and played only one post-season game. Mitton is 125-68-1 since the school opened in 1972.

The Bruins will have a steller backfield of their own. Senior Artemus Patton (6-0, 170) could be a real weapon. He runs 40 yards in 4.5 seconds and

clocked 14.5 over the 110-meter high hurdles as a sophomore. Wingback Brian Gilkey (6-1, 170) was an all-metro selection as a junior. He runs a 4.6.

Mitton has four real good tackles on the roster in the form of seniors Eric Williams (6-0, 200), Bill Scott (6-0, 215), Andre Elmore (6-0, 205) and Pat Dugan (6-1, 220). Woody Decker (6-0, 215) is one of the biggest guards in the league. When teams decide to throw the ball at the Bruins, they'll have to contend with deep backs Dan Stadler (5-9, 168) and Seth McDonald (5-0, 170), two experienced seniors.

Like most schools in the Valley, Trevor Browne will benefit from transfers and newcomers. Two welcome faces belong to TE/DE David Nielson (6-5, 230) and WR/DB Veltrey Potter (6-3,

170).

The injury bug had a field day at **ALHAMBRA**, where Paul Hoffland's Lions suffered through a 4-6 campaign. "We lost players for a couple of games, and some for half the season," says Hoffland, winner of 118 games in Ohio and Arizona. "But if anything positive came out of it, we have a lot of key players back for 1989."

Both offensive tackles and one guard return, along with the Lions' QB and top rushers. Defensively, all four linebackers return, along with several starters in the secondary. Weaknesses: defensive line

and receivers.

The biggest Lion in camp is two-way tackle Mark Smith, a 6-4, 290-pound pre-season prep All-American. He started every game. So did OT David Schragel (6-0, 210), LB Bryan Reese (5-11, 205) and RB/LB Mike Dixon (5-11, 188).

More returning starters on offense include QB Paul Reilly (5-11, 168), WB Duane Espinoza (5-10, 170) and TB Shorty Matthews (5-10, 175). Duane Espinoza, Dennis McCarty and Robert Lama started on defense. All are seniors.

Seniors Tim Alford, Joe Salazar, Walter Noel, Chris Lovitt, Abe Moore and Jason Garcia all lettered. There is good size and speed up from the sophomore class, including tackles Aaron Messner (6-6, 235), Mike Malay (6-1, 225) and David Kinnard (6-4, 200).

But the keys to the Lions' success will be Mark Smith, Mike Dixon and Bryan Reese. Keeping them healthy. Smith could be one of the top offensive linemen to come out of Phoenix in several years, while Dixon and Reese will give Alhambra a great 1-2 punch at inside linebacker.

Cleveland Dansby has been hired as head football coach at **SOUTH MOUN-TAIN**, replacing Bill Stovall. Last year,

Dansby, a South High grad and former Phoenix College and NAU star, was an assistant at Phoenix College. South posted their first-ever 10-win season (10-2), and return 13 lettermen, seven who started.

The Jaguars defense should be quick and rugged, with senior NG Prentice Moore (6-5, 260), DE Bryan Cheatham (5-10, 200), DE Raymond Williams (5-10, 190), and deep backs Brian Fair (6-3, 190), Tyrone Harris (6-0, 170) and Todd Lee (6-0, 175). Returning lettermen Tyrone Avriett (6-5, 270), Ryan Thompson (6-6, 265), Gary Floyd (6-1, 290) and Steve Griffin (6-1, 230) add depth to the line.

The passing combination of junior QB Brian Fair and SE Tyrone Harris returns to haunt the Metro Region. As a soph, Fair passed for 847 yards and 10 touchdowns. Defensively, he led the

1989 Phoenix Metro 5A Top 20

- 1. Maryvale Panthers
- 2. Westwood Warriors
- 3. Dobson Mustangs
- 4. McClintock Chargers
- 5. Mountain View Toros
- 6. Saguaro Sabercats
- 7. Trevor Browne Bruins
- 8. Mesa Jackrabbits
- 9. Horizon Huskies
- 10. Apollo Hawks
- 11. Alhambra Lions
- 12. Shadow Mountain Matadors
- 13. Corona del Sol Aztecs
- 14. Moon Valley Rockets
- 15. Marcos de Niza Padres
- 16. Goldwater Bulldogs
- 17. Brophy Prep Broncos
- 18. St. Mary's Knights
- 19. Chaparral Firebirds
- 20. Central Bobcats

team in interceptions (6), with a 100-yarder against Maryvale, an 80-yarder vs Chaparral. He averaged 15.5 points on the varsity basketball team.

Junior FB Germaine Gilbert (5-9, 205) will compliment the passing game. William Hersey, who kicked the winning field goal against Scottsdale Saguaro, also returns. The Jaguars should be competitive, with a sharp passing game, a quick defense and the best kicking game in several years.

It was a real learning experience for first-year coach Rick Molina, watching

his Falcons go 0-10 at **CARL HAYDEN.** So young was his club, sophomore receiver Leonard Bruner (6-0, 165) won MVP honors. Bruner, a 4.6 sprinter, caught 50 passes last fall, a city record for a sophomore.

"If Bruner stays healthy, he'll break every record in the city," claims Molina. "But our problem will be depth. The senior class, aside from a few players, doens't exist. Most of our starters are juniors."

One unknown senior is TE/DE Marquis Tucker (6-6, 230), a secret weapon no longer. With his size and speed he'll shine like a light bulb. Three other good-sized seniors are tackles Clyde Orta (5-10, 210), Gary Cunningham (6-0, 195) and Juan Gonzales (5-10, 205). But all the top skill players are juniors: FS Mike Baca (5-9, 180), RB Mike Ramirez (5-10, 185), LB Randy Amavisca (5-8, 165) and DB Reggie Steele (5-8, 160).

5A— EAST VALLEY REGION

- 1. Mesa Westwood
- 2. Mesa Mountain View
- 3. Scottsdale Saguaro
- 4. Tempe Marcos de Niza
- 5. Scottsdale Chaparral
- 6. Mesa Red Mountain

Now, all guns aim at **WESTWOOD.** Coach Jerry Loper, three or four years away from 200 career wins, watched his Warriors beat rival Mountain View, 28-7 for the big-school title. A record-crowd of more than 20,000 watched the finals at nearby Sun Devil Stadium.

"Now everybody will be shooting for us," warns Loper, 170-74-9 as a coach. "We've got lots of rebuilding to do.

Especially on the offense."

But not on defense. Six starters return. That's one reason most coaches pick Westwood high in the polls. Three of the better defenders in the East Valley Region return for the defending champs: LB Dan Libhart (5-10, 190), DB Mark Jorgensen (6-3, 200) and DT Bob McCain (6-3, 200).

Linebackers Dan Enos (5-10, 170) and Junior Carrasco (5-10, 170) look like twins in uniform. Young Ken Wilkins (6-3, 190) saw limited action as a receiver and defensive back. Senior Jeff Ward (6-2, 180) is another dangerous pass catcher in Westwood's wishbone offense.

But the key to the Warriors' season could rest in the hands of talented Mark





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Jorgensen, who will see action at quarterback, defensive back and running back. Last year's signal caller, Ruben Sanchez, kept opponents off-balance all season with pin-point passing and sneaky ball-handling. If Jorgensen does the same, Westwood will be back in the playoffs.

"It was very tough to lose the final game for the second year to a sister school," says Jesse Parker at **MOUN-TAIN VIEW.** "However, we're very proud of the team's accomplishment. We've played in the state championship game three years in a row. Not many people have done that."

When new Red Mountain High opened east of Mountain View, it took some of the Toros' enrollment. Many fans predict the demise of Toro football. Don't hold your breath. Mountain View wins big games with defense. All Jesse Parker needs is 11 players. "We should have an excellent defense," warns the former Texan, winner of 83% of his games at MVHS. "It's our offense which needs work. We may struggle early."

Three Toros with all-league potential are defenders Trevor Hansen (6-3, 205), Keith West (6-4, 205) and Jason Arment (6-3, 200). The defensive front wall also includes Brandon Lewis, Todd Allen, Steve Johnson, Dan Papacek, Mark Ray and Todd Trendler. Doug Clouse, Trent Smith and Josh Simonton will roam the secondary.

Like rival Westwood, the key to Mountain View's season will be the quarterback. Parker and his staff are counting on senior Dan Divjak (6-0, 185) to carry the load. Unfortunately for Divjak, at a school like Mountain View, that's a big assignment.

SAGUARO rejoins the East Valley Region. Head coach Bob Keller and his Sabercats accept the challenge. "Everybody on our staff, our students and community, are looking forward to the move," claims Keller, 10 wins shy of 100 career victories. "Better competition in all sports—on all levels—will be a tremendous challenge for all of us."

Lack of experience at QB, the offensive line and the defensive front are weak spots. But the Cats' running backs, receivers and overall team speed can compete with the Mesa schools. Two other plusses: an unbeaten JV team and a winning attitude.

Center/DT Pat McCabe (6-1, 210), TE/LB Shawn Stone (6-2, 190) and WR/DB Jim McCalmont (5-11, 175) earned all-division honors. Stone is an exceptional kicker. Jeff Domer (5-10, 175) is another top-Cat who doubles at RB/LB.

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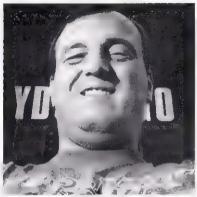
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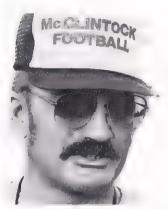
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500 West Guadalupe Tempe, Arizona 85283 (602) 839-0292 Senior Brian Franey (5-10, 170) will start at QB and has Jeff Vaught (5-11, 160) and Mark Romero (6-0, 150) targets at the wide-outs. Brian Forehand (6-3, 180), Brandon Massey (5-10, 190), Chris Miller (5-11, 210), Graham Caplinger (5-9, 180) and big Jim Diez (6-5, 275) will man the trenches.

Transfers and JV newcomers include David Joice, a QB prospect, Chip Mahoney, Preston Walker, Gary Brown, Darrin Root, Ken Nelson and Jason Queen, to name just a few. The 'Cats should be ready. Back-to-back undefeated sophomore teams have helped Saguaro's varsity. "Now, if our underclassmen do that in the new league, we're headed in the right direction," adds Keller, head coach since 1974.

Bill Holmes takes over at **MARCOS DE NIZA**, where the Padres finished 5-5 and return 11 letter winners. Holmes is the school's third head coach in three years. But the Padres do return two Tempe all-city players: LB/FB Dave Colborn (6-0, 200), a three-year starter, and DT/OT Rusty Stalder (6-1, 185). Colborn rushed for 526 yards last year, 106 against AAA-1 champ Westwood, 126 against AAA-2 champ Agua Fria.

Quarterback Marc Tobler (6-3, 185) stepped in last year for the last two games and played well. He could be one of the better passers in the league. With 4.7 speed, he's a threat to run. The Padres have good-size linemen to protect Tobler, starting with center Jeff Bell (6-0, 200), tackle Bruce Barro (6-1, 220), tackle Alex Allion (6-3, 235) and guard Carlos Hernandez (5-8, 210).

The defense played tough and should stay that way. Look for DT Jeff Kohl (6-2, 195), and deep backs Rocky Arredondo (5-9, 175), Spencer Waggoner (5-8, 165) and Curtis Brown (6-0, 170) to have a big season.

Another quality program hit hard by the injury bug was **CHAPARRAL**, and the result was a sad 3-7 outcome. One dozen players return from that club, with TE/DE Brock Bevell (6-2, 180), FB/LB Jordan Hayslip (5-10, 175) and two-way tackle John McConnaughey (6-2, 240) earning all-city mention as juniors.

"Injuries really cut us down," says Jim Bevell. "We'll have lots of players going both ways. Our sophomore team was good. That should help."

The Firebirds' staff also expect a good year from these seniors: QB Jeff Peters (5-11, 150), RB Bob Lachapelle (5-9, 170), NG Rob Palumbo (5-10, 205), and defensive backs Chad Roy (5-8, 150) and Ron Van Wert (5-11, 175). Young RB/LB Jim Wood (5-10,

175) saw varsity action as a sophomore.

With an enrollment of 1,700 students, Chaparral will be the smallest school in the East Valley Region. Mesa schools Mountain View and Westwood are tops at 3,000-plus.

The newest school in Mesa is **RED MOUNTAIN**, coached by former Westwood assistant Jimmy Jones, the 1968 state high school decathlon champion. However, Jones as been a head coach before, in Bullhead City, Phoenix and now Mesa, where the Lions' finished 5-3-2 in season No. 1. Better yet, the JV team went 8-0, so the future looks bright.

"It was a good learning year for us," says Jones. "The sophomore and junior kids adapted well to varsity play. We're still young. But we'll be more experienced. We're looking forward to 5A competition."

The senior class will be the key. That class includes linebackers C.J. Kurkoski (6-1,210) and Tato Borboa (5-11, 190). J.J. Stokes (6-3, 180) is a two-way performer: OT/DE. The rest of the senior class looks good with running backs Steve Davis, Brian Wisely, Steve Medina and Neal Dillahunt. Linemen Brandon Dong, Aaron Polo and Kenny Stevens get all the dirty work.

The junior class has two book-end defensive backs: Preston Jones and Vance Wilson, both 5-10, 160-pounders. Bill Policastro, Jeremy James, Jason Menning, Chris Swanson and Clint Hamblin are young Lions with bright futures.

5A— CENTRAL REGION

- 1. Mesa Dobson
- 2. Tempe McClintock
- 3. Mesa
- 4. Tempe Corona del Sol
- 5. Gilbert
- 6. Chandler

With seven 10th graders on the roster, **DOBSON** still managed an 11-2 finish. Not bad for a rebuilding year. Rivals Mountain View and Westwood were the only schools to derail the defending champs. "We were very proud of the great season the kids put together," says Mike Clark. "We feel real good about 1989."

The Mustangs will field two of the best running backs/cornerbacks in the Central Region: Thelbert Withers (5-9, 175) and Keith Walls (5-9, 175). They both run 40 yards in 4.6 seconds and play each position very well. And like Dobson teams of the past, two big tackles will help clear the way: Jody Collins

(6-2, 225) and Robbie Plunkett (6-3, 260).

Quarterback Raymond Lewis (6-1, 185) will have a flock of receivers to work with, including Dustin Clark (5-10, 175) and junior Victor Puefua (6-1, 195), an all-state punter as a sophomore. Junior linebacker Josh Cairus (6-1, 215) saw lots of action. So did RB/DB Mike Millanes (5-9, 170). Before they graduate, Cairus, Millanes, Puefua and Lewis will be three-year varsity lettermen.

More so than any opponent, except for maybe Mountain View, the "injury bug" derailed Karl Kiefer's express at **McCLINTOCK.** The Chargers' "worst ever" season (2-8) kept the veteran coach from winning his 200th game. Since 1965, the Tempe powerhouse is 197-68-3 (.743), all under Kiefer.

The Chargers return two key performers at important positions: QB and kicker. Field general Dan Moore (6-2, 190) is hoping for a healthy senior year. Moore was 54 of 126 for 790 yards and six touchdowns. His .430 completion percentage needs to be improved. If receivers Jody Estes (5-9, 160) and David Matthews (6-0, 170) stay healthy, watch for Moore's percentages to rise. Kicker Kyle Bell is one of the best in the Valley. He booted a school record 45 yard field goal against Dobson.

Both Estes and Matthews are two of the better defensive backs in the city. So are two-way players Brian Drew (5-8, 165), Robbie Wheaton (5-9, 170) and Chris Colter (6-0, 170). Drew was the Chargers' leading rusher in 1988: 103 carries, 432 yards, 4.2 average, three touchdowns, the longest 79 yards. All five of the above help make this year's McClintock unit the fastest in school history. Most were members of an exceptional 42.6 sprint relay team, 5th best in the state, and a blazing 1:27.7 half-mile relay-best in Arizona in years. Last spring, Drew ran 100 meters in 10.94 seconds, while Matthews ran 200 meters in 21.8.

Big Jason Duke (6-0, 205) will line up at center, flanked by seniors Chris Stephens, Ed Burnside, Mike Guerra, Justin Winkler, Shane Mueller, Chad Corbin and Adam Fletcher, to name a few. Seniors Jason Anderson, Bruce Kirby, David Klecka, Joe Medina and Jason Kyle form a good corps of linebackers and defensive backs. The junior class will add size and depth. Bob Reid (5-11, 220) appears to be the backup center. Grady Stretz (6-4, 210) is a promising young tackle/linebacker. The list goes on.

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1984 .. Steve Belles, St. Mary's, QB

1983 .. John Walker, Marcos de Niza, QB

1982 .. Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, RB

1981 .. Frank Rudolph, Coronado, DE

1980 .. Jimmy Williams, Tempe, LB

1979 .. Todd Shell, Mountain View, LB

1978 .. Rory Barnett, Trevor Browne, RB (jr)

1977 .. Mike Pagel, Washington, OB

1976 .. Greg Brady, Coronado, QB

1975 .. Brian Felix, Phoenix Union, RB/DB

1974 .. David Mitchell, St. Mary's, RB (jr)

1973 .. Rob Wilson, Coronado, QB/DB

1972 .. Keith Sobraske, Coronado, DT

1971 .. Fred Mortensen, Tempe, QB

1970 .. Bob Breunig, Alhambra, FB/LB

1969 .. Danny White, Westwood, QB

1968 .. Bill Mannion, St. Mary's, QB

1967 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, FB

1966 .. Bob Soza, Westwood, TB

1965 .. Bill Dunning, Mesa, RB

1964 .. Richard Griffen, Westwood, T

1963 .. Earliest Nelson, South Mountain, RB

1962 .. Everett Rollins, Arcadia, RB

1961 .. Andy Livingston, Mesa, RB

1960 .. Ted Lawrence, South Mountain, G

1959 .. Bob Olson, South Mountain, FB

1958 .. Lewis Albright, Scottsdale, RB

1957 .. Eddie Wilson, Chandler, QB

1956 .. Warren Livingston, Mesa, RB

1955 .. George Greathouse, Phoenix Union, RB



Agua Fria's 1982 MVP, Glenn Rogers.

1954 .. George Greathouse, Phoenix Union, RB (jr)

1953 .. Kenny Avcock, North, RB

1952 .. Jack Stovall, St. Mary's, E

1951 .. Bob Black, Phoenix Union, E.

1950 .. Don Beasley, Mesa, FB

1949 .. Danny Seivert, St. Mary's, RB

1948 .. Gene Brown, Phoenix Union, FB

1947 .. Dan Russell, Mesa, QB

1946 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, RB

1945 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, RB (jr)

1944 .. Bill Yeoman, Glendale, C

1943 .. Bill Yeoman, Glendale, C (jr)

1942 .. Jim Nafziger, North, FB/LB

1941 .. Auldrick Imboden, Mesa, E

1940 .. Pat Higgins, St. Mary's, RB

1939 .. Loren La Prade, Phoenix Union, T

1938 .. Horace Griffen, Jr., Mesa, QB

1937 .. Norris Enloe, Mesa, E

1936 .. Charles Orme, Phoenix Union, T

1935 .. Wayne Pitts, Glendale, FB

1934 .. Paul Callow, Phoenix Union, QB

1933 .. Virgil Vance, Phoenix Union, T

1932 .. Bill Kajikawa, Phoenix Union, QB

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ter with Tucson powerhouse, Amphitheater. Kiefer shouldn't have to wait long for three wins. When he gets them, he'll be the 6th Arizona coach to win 200 games. He's next step: Edgar "Mutt" Ford's state record 226.

MESA dropped a 5-point playoff thriller to St. Mary's to finsih 7-4 on the season. "We have a real good junior class and they must mature quickly," says Jim Rattay, 25-19 as the Jackrabbits' head coach. "I say that because many of them will have to start."

Rattay won't have to worry about these three seniors: OT/DT Greg Brown (6-3, 215), RB/DB Todd McCracken (6-0, 190), OE/DB Pat Partee (6-2, 180). They should be the team leaders. So should these probable starters: RB/DB William German (5-6, 150), OG/LB Mike Glimpse (6-1, 175), WR/DB Ben Green (5-10, 160), QB/DB Michael Jones (6-0, 155), OG/LB Joe Ortiz (5-10, 180), OG/DT Rob Ramsey (6-1, 210), SE/DB Jackie Skousen (6-1, 170), SE/DB Troy Swope (6-3, 205), OT/DT Jacob Tetlow (6-1, 200) and RB/DB Chris Vallejo (5-7, 160).

The sophomore class finished 8-0. They may produce the varsity quarterback, 6-2, 180-pound Grady Benton.

They have two good tackles, Royce Gibbons (6-2, 200) and Steve Lowell (6-3, 190), a tough guard, Seki Fifeta (6-0, 220), and three good linebackers, Andy Miner (5-11, 175), Mark Terry (5-11, 180) and Steve Parker (6-2, 210).

Aztec fans will give their season tickets away for a winning football team. **CORONA DEL SOL,** coached by Gary Ventura, went 2-7-1 but played almost everybody tough. "We were competitive last year," says the Aztecs' third-year coach. "We should have a good year with all our returning starters and the upcoming juniors."

Ventura has three first team all-city players: DT Manny Carbajal (6-3, 230), one of the best in the region, LB Ron McCook (6-2, 200), and RB Kendrick Rankin (5-11, 185). During a 28-0 win over Chandler, Rankin rushed 15 times for 170 yards and three touchdowns, on runs of 21, 67 and 46 yards.

The rest of Corona del Sol's lineup includes WR/DB Chris Cafaro (6-0, 170), OT/DT Matt Markham (6-1, 260), OT/DT Nat Adams (6-1, 220), center David Benedict (5-10, 195), K/DB Travis Jacobson (5-10, 170), guard Tim Littleton (5-11, 190), RB/DB Greg Conant (5-10, 160), receivers Leon Amero (5-9.

165) and Jay Cano (5-10, 165), and quarterbacks Jackie Mori (6-0, 170) and Greg Tromp (5-10, 160). Walter Herring and Bret Fullerton are promising newcomers.

Since **GILBERT** moved into the state's largest class in 1987, the Tigers have won only four games. Dunns' club has gone 2-8 two years straight. Exactly 28 lettermen return. "We should have a good football team," says the head coach. "We have lots of experience returning."

Two of the biggest and meanist Tigers in camp are OG/DT Curtis Sutton (6-4, 245) and LB/TE Rick Plote (6-4, 195). Big Chris Monberg (6-2, 235) is a returning tackle. Guard Chris Parsons (5-10, 185) has great technique. Quarterback Mike Hudson (5-10, 180) was a starter. Receivers Jeff Sevison (5-10, 180) and Stanley Whitehurst (5-10, 160) are tough to cover. Whitehurst is only a junior.

The rest of the lineup includes LB/OL Mike Ray (6-1, 200), center Clint Phillips (6-2, 245), OT/DT Ron Thornton (5-10, 235), WR/FS Shawn Dunn (6-0, 165), C/DE Greg Clare (6-2, 170), RB/SS John Dodgson, WR/DB Kearney Adams, DE/TE Tyler Keith and QB/DE Derek Dahl. Dahl, a 6-3, 190-pound jun-

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220 .. Max Anderson vs Wisconsin, 1967

216 .. Fred Williams vs Texas-El Paso, 1974

214 .. Woody Green vs Utah, 1971

208 .. Robert Weathers vs California, 1981

208 .. Gerald Riggs vs Colorado State, 1981

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201 .. Woody Green vs San Jose State, 1972

201 .. Fred Williams vs New Mexico, 1975

200 .. Art Malone vs Utah, 1968

LONGEST RUN/SCRIMMAGE:

99 .. Max Anderson vs Wyoming, 1967

98 .. Mark Malone vs Utah State, 1979

97 .. Art Malone vs Utah, 1968

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90 .. Leon Burton vs Hardin-Simmons, 1955

87 .. Benny Malone vs Colorado State, 1971

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185 .. Greg Hudson vs Utah, 1973

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ior, will battle Hudson for the QB slot.

Former assistant Jim Wall takes over at **CHANDLER**. The Wolves have gone 2-8 back-to-back. Wall was 28-18-1 at Gilbert between 1967-71. Best season: 10-1-0 in 1971. "We are strong at the skill positions," claims Wall. "We are strong at fullback, halfback and in the secondary."

Running backs with speed to burn: Jeff Clark (6-2, 175) and Tony Rome (5-7, 165), both seniors. They both start in the secondary. Rome is a 22-foot long

jumper.

Other starters: TE/LB Art Carrington (6-1, 195), OL/DL Jeff Goracke (5-10, 185), RB/DB Landis Owens (5-10, 180), RB/DB B.J. Winfield (5-10, 165), and receivers Barry Correll (6-2, 180) and Brill Burns (5-9, 170). Linebacker Tyson Bruder (6-0, 185), quarterbacks Brian Simons (6-2, 170) and Kelvin Lierman (5-11, 175), and kicker Joe Bergen (6-0, 170) will contribute.

5A- FIESTA REGION

- 1. Glendale Apollo
- 2. Shadow Mountain
- 3. Moon Valley
- 4. Phoenix Brophy Prep
- 5. Phoenix St. Mary's
- 6. Phoenix Central

Watch for **APOLLO** to make the biggest jump in the standings. Last fall, the Hawks finished 2-8, the worst record in the school's history. "We are optimistic for 1989," says Rudy Pacheco, head Hawk since 1981. "We return a lot of starters."

Unlike most teams, Pacheco returns his quarterback, senior Kris Woodford (6-1, 160). Woodford passed for 900 yards as a junior. Receiver Joe Limon (5-9, 170) started in the secondary as a sophomore. Big Andy Perkins (5-10, 200) returns at fullback. David Leyva (6-0, 200) is back at linebacker.

Other Hawks with game experience include WR Eugene Miller (5-9, 160), DB Tim Loomis (5-9, 160), DE Ernesto Rodriguez (5-10, 170), LB Marc Taylor (5-10, 205), TE/DE Jim Garrett (6-1, 190) and center Kevin Sotomayer (5-10, 170). The junior class will supply Pacheco with his backup QB, Kris Heddings, and three good-size linemen in Loren Ulvog (6-0, 210), Rick Witmer (6-0, 210) and Gary Kilonowski (6-1, 215).

One of the youngest teams in the region will be **SHADOW MOUNTAIN**, coached by Dick McKivergan. The Mat-



Apollo's Joe Limon breaks a tackie.

adors return only nine players, but one of them, tackle Joe Cajic (6-5, 277), is a great athlete.

The big senior was both the state and Southwest discus champion, with a best toss of 185-feet, 11-inches. He also threw the shot put 55-feet, 9-inches. "Joe could be one of the best around," says McKivergan, head coach since 1977.

Senior Ken Gaylor (6-3, 170) will start at QB. Big Scott Myers (6-2, 225) is the center. The guard slots are filled by Grady Carlson (6-2, 220), John Burk (5-11, 220) and junior Joe Tocco (5-11, 230). John Albright (6-0, 180) is the team's FB. Craig Hall (5-11, 180) and Greg Quinn (5-10, 160) will start in the secondary.

The Rockets had another good season. **MOON VALLEY** lost their first three games, won the next seven, then dropped a playoff game to Mesa Dobson. "This will be the youngest team

we've ever had," warns Earl Putman. "We return only five starters. Our best player will be our center."

That center is big Jeff Wisch (6-3, 230), one of the best in the Valley. QB Art Cordova (5-11, 180) will be the first Rocket Wisch hands the ball to. Running back Menno Wickey (5-11, 185) started at HB as a sophomore. Three members of the secondary will be unproven seniors: Eric Carmello (5-11, 160), Chris Reyes (5-8, 140) and Bob Kallemeyn (5-9, 150). They didn't start as juniors.

Although they struggled at mid-season, **BROPHY PREP** came on strong and made the playoffs. State champ Westwood ended the Broncos' season, 28-21. "It was the closest game Westwood had in the playoffs," claims Tim Sanford, 24-19-1 at the Catholic school.

Only two starters return, linebackers Craig Ross (6-2, 195) and Jim Rakers (6-4, 185). Senior Cody Martin (5-11, 185) will replace Troy Hudocko at QB. Tim O'Neil (6-2, 195) is the most experienced senior lineman. Halfback Dwight McClung (5-9, 155), RB Tony Caparella (5-9, 155), and tackles Ken Frakes (5-11, 200) and Mike Weiland (6-2, 195) are four hard-working juniors.

It's going to be a major rebuilding job at **ST. MARY'S.** With only two returning starters, the Knights will have their hands full. "Once we get through the first half of the season, we hope to have enough players to finish," moans Pat Farrell, 100-31-2 since 1978.

The two best players on campus can play with anybody: two-way tackles Matt Taylor (6-3, 240) and Brian Musselman (6-1, 220). Taylor earned all-state recognition as a junior. Brian is the 6th Musselman to play for the Knights. Since Jim lettered in 1979, the varsity has had a Musselman every year since. Brian and David are 3-year lettermen. All-stater David now plays at Ball State.

Race to 100

Phoenix St. Mary's and Mesa Mountain View have a chance to become the first Arizona schools to win 100 games in a decade. The race as it looks with one year to go:

Wins/School	Record	Winning Percentage
91 ., Phoenix St. Mary's		(.827)
90 Mesa Mountain View	90-21-7	(.811)
84 Tucson Amphitheater	84-19-1	
84 Flagstaff	84-21-2	 (.800)
83 Springerville Round Valley		
83 Phoenix Moon Valley		
83 Phoenix Trevor Browne	83-28-0	
80 Avondale Agua Fria	80-24-1	 (.769)
78 Snowflake	78-25-1	 (.757)
78 Glendale Cactus	78-29-1	
76 Tempe McClintock	76-33-0	 (.697)
70 Florence	70-25-0	 [./3/]
70 Tucson Sunnyside	70-29-2	 (.707)

Don't Kick This Dog

Don't kick a dog when he's down. Especially if he's a Yuma Criminal. He might bite back. He might not be down on his luck, anymore. But boy was he down.

So dismal was the Yuma Union football program at one time, the Criminals (so named because the state penitentiary, now in Florence, was once in Yuma) once lost a state record 48 games in a row. In 1974, they beat a California school, Central High of El Centro, 20-0, snapping the nation's longest active losing streak.

When they beat Casa Grande 15-0 two months later, it was the Crims' first win over an Arizona school in 56 games! Ouch! They went one season without scoring a touchdown from scrimmage. Since 1922, their defense has scored more touchdowns by the fumble recovery route (30) than their offense has kicked field goals (23).

But it didn't used to be that bad. The school has won three state championships and finished runner-up five times. They have played against and beaten more California teams (87) than any school in Arizona. They have produced great NFL players like Curley Culp of the Kansas City Chiefs and Houston Oilers; Ron Jessie of the Detroit Lions and Los Angeles Rams.

Local fans remember first-team all-staters like Eugene Linder, Joe De Corse, Gus Headington, Jim Pell, Jim Wolf, Thom Blohm, Rockne Anderson and Steve Stallworth, to name just a few. Top-notch teachers like Marv Rosengarten, Vic Smith, James Moore and Frank Armstrong coached in Yuma.

But before 1988, Yuma High hadn't produced a winning season in football since 1965. What happened? Since that time, Tempe McClintock, coached by Karl Kiefer, has played Yuma High eight times. "Every Yuma team was the same," says the Chargers' coach, who has beaten the Crims by scores like 75-0, 62-0, 49-0, 40-7 and 40-0. "They always had good kids at the skill positions. Better than us sometimes. But the rest of their game stunk. They were very weak up front. And they weren't very disciplined."

That has changed. At least for now. The credit goes to second-year head coach Tom Hurt. In 1988, playing the same identical schedule as 1987 when the Crims finished 1-9, Hurts' crew went 8-4 after losing a 10-7 heart-breaker to Tucson Sahuaro in the state AAA playoffs. They lost to Phoenix Trevor Browne 12-6 during the regular season, but beat them in a mini-playoff, 13-12. In 1987, Browne beat them 39-9. South Mountain beat them on the last play of the game. In 1987, the Phoenix school won 48-0. Two years ago, Scottsdale Chaparral blitzed the Crims, 35-0. Yuma won last year's encounter, 24-14.

"The difference was day and night," insists Trevor Browne head coach Bill Mitton. "From what I understand, Tom Hurt is doing an excellent job down there."

"You've heard of the no pass no play policy havn't you," asks Hurt, who has been a head coach in such out-of-the-way places as Bowie, Clifton, Kearny and Bullhead City. "We have a similar policy here in Yuma, but we also have another one: No Lift No Play. If you don't lift weights you don't play football. It's that simple."

It has paid off in less than two years. Under the new state realignment, the Criminals are in the Class 5A Desert Valley Region. Four Phoenix schools and rival Kofa High join them. They will be a contender. If everybody stays healthy, Hurt will have four of the premier players in the region in TB/DB Walter Rooks (6-1, 205), CB/WB Phillip McFadden (5-9, 170), FB/DL Arthur "Chip" Hassell (6-1, 245) and giant two-way tackle Rufus Kennedy (6-3, 320).

Little Garth Major (5-10, 160) will be the Crims' quarterback. Senior Chet Smith (5-10, 210) will be the center. Guard Hank Auza (5-9, 185) and junior tackle John Howard (6-1, 280) will join Smith and Kennedy in the trenches.

If defense wins championships, Yuma is on the right track with linebackers like James Schleining (5-11, 180), Juan Garcia (5-10, 205) and junior Brian Bingham (6-0, 185). Safety Les Williams (6-0, 165) inter-



Yuma DB Philip McFadden.

cepted six passes last fall. Corner-back McFadden, the team's second quickest player (4.6), picked off three. The quickest Crim in camp (4.55) is junior halfback Eduardo Arias (6-0, 190). Hurt keeps a close eye on everybody's speed. He helps coach the track team.

"If the athletes lift like they should and work like they should, and if we have few injuries, we'll win a couple of games." smiles Hurt, who opens against El Centro on Sept. 8. Two years ago, the California school beat Yuma, 69-0. But those were pre-Hurt days. "We think we've got things headed in the right direction," adds the Criminals' 18th head coach.

Mike Espinoza (6-2, 190) is the probable starting OB. Senior Trent Lavin (6-1, 220), son of Phoenix College coach Pat Lavin, is the Knights' center. All other players are untested and positions wide-open. However, Matt Eyrich (6-1, 195) will probably start at TE/LB. Louis Uhl (6-0, 190) and Kemp Garcia (5-10, 185) are starting guard prospects.

Look for CENTRAL to be a completely different team from last year. "We will be much better prepared in several respects," insists Gary Cook, 2-8 in his first year on the job. "We have veterans at most positions. We have made lots of progress in the weight room. We are miles ahead of last year in physical size and strength.

"We were able to have a spring practice. The team is bigger, stronger, has a better attitude and approach, and is far more advanced. But we lost two outstanding players in Shelby Hill (to Syracuse) and all-metro defensive back

Frank Bayless." At quarterback, Cook has one of the better athletes in the city. Anthony Carr (6-2, 175), nephew of former all-pro linebacker Fred Carr, played only half the season due to a shoulder injury. He passed for more than 200 yards twice, and 325 yards and four TDs in a third game. Mobile, he runs 40 yards in 4.7 seconds. So does WR/DB Steve Swindele (6-2, 185), Carr's best target, and leader of the Bobcats' secondary. Junior wingback, Donald Watkins (6-2, 175) started five games as a soph.

Tackle Dave Goldberg (6-4, 245) has good quickness for his size, while Brent Danner (6-2, 195) plays WR/TE/LB and is the Cats' strongest player. He runs 40 yards in 4.8. Junior Trent Johnson (6-0, 175) is Central's backup QB and starts at WR. With 4.6 speed he's the fastest 'Cat in camp. Senior Rob Price (5-11, 190) started last fall at DE, Kevin Williams (5-9, 170) is a quick running back, while junior tackle Anthony Flemings (6-4, 260) could develop into a major college prospect. He has two years to improve.

5A— DESERT VALLEY REGION

- 1. Scottsdale Horizon
- 2. Yuma Union
- 3. Phoenix Goldwater
- 4. Paradise Valley
- 5. Deer Valley
- 6. Yuma Kofa

It's been a long time since **HORIZON** has been picked to win their league, but this is the time. Coach Doug Shaffer's Huskies finished 6-4 last year, a 21-14 loss to Brophy knocked them out of the playoffs. "We're really positive, says Shaffer, who greets 15 members from last year's club." We're looking to another winning season and making the playoffs.

Horizon will have two of the best linemen in the Desert Valley Region: tackles Rob Waldrop (6-2, 225) and Art McDonald (6-4, 250). In fact, the men in the trenches will be the strength of Horizon's attack. Center Ken Jeske (6-1, 220) doubles at NG. Chris Miller (5-11, 205) is the fastest OT/DT with 4.8 speed. Dave Kulaga (6-0, 225) has good size and strength.

Kicker Louis Saragosa (5-7, 150), HB/LB Justin Olson (6-0, 200), and FB/LB Glen Forbes (6-0, 210) all lettered as sophomores. Wide-out Derek Helbert (5-7, 150) is the fastest Husky (4.6) in camp. Jeff Taylor, Bart Stewart, Mathis Grier and Scott Walker are seniors who should start. Gabe Guerrero (6-1, 165) and Jason Blakely (6-1, 180) will vie for the OB slot. If Blakely doesn't start on offense, he'll start in the secondary. Horizon's soph squad finished 7-0-1. JeffLewis, Jason Chambers, Craig Radke, Justin Scrabeck, Tony Cueiti and Todd Porter should help the varsity.

It's easy to see why Jim Hepting was proud of his club last year. GOLD-WATER went from 2-8 in 1987 to 8-5 and the state quarterfinals. It was the school's first senior class. "But now er're in 5A, so we'll have to improve in all areas, especially strength," warns Hepting, "Our kids are very competitive and we expect to play everybody tough."

Donny Baylus (5-11, 185) is the Bulldogs' top prospect. The talented senior runs 40 yards in 4.65, plays QB on offense and safety on defense. Big Erik Pawlak (6-4, 250) lines up at center and DT. Brian Winfrey (6-1, 245) is a twoway Bulldog at tackle. Wingback Ethan Cloutier (5-10, 165) runs a 4.7 and doubles at defensive back. He's just a junior. Like league rival Horizon, Goldwater's JV club finished unbeaten (8-0). They will supply the varsity with depth. If the 'Dogs stay healthy they might improve their 8-5 record of a year ago.

Coach Bob Lambie watched PARA-**DISE VALLEY** improve from 2-8 to 5-5. Now in the Desert Valley Region, the Trojans could continue to be a contender. Lambie has two of the best defensive backs in the league in Joe Lewis and Randy Sherron, both 5-10, 160-

Coaches' log	
Wins/Coach/School	Yrs.
197 Karl Kiefer, McClintock 176 Jesse Parker, Mountain View 170 Jerry Loper, Westwood 159 Earl Putman, Moon Valley 128 Bernon Benson, Valley 125 Bill Mitton, Trevor Browne 118 Paul Hoffland, Alhambra 112 Jim Rattay, Mesa 101 Tom Wheatley, Agua Fria 100 Pat Farrell, St. Mary's	20 26 23 23 16 21 13

pound seniors. He also has the smallest (5-6, 135), but quickest (4.5) back around, senior Tony Thomas.

The Trojans' defense is sound if Scott Primeau (5-10, 170), Dan Vincent (6-0, 180), James Mihlik (5-9, 165) and Chad Moore (6-2, 180) come to camp in shape. Two impressive newcomers: FB/LB John Black (6-2, 185) and OT/DE Raymond Cobb (6-2, 205), both juniors with 5.0 speed. The Trojans' main concem? Depth. The JV team finished 1-8.

The road to the top looks tough for **DEER VALLEY**, although 22 lettermen, the most in the league, return. Coach Tony Valenzuela's club finished 1-9 on the field. The Skyhawks top prospect looks like tackle Eric Johnson (6-2, 220), a strong senior. The starting OB might be junior newcomer Lonnie Ray Bolton (6-1, 210). He also plays in the secondary. Other Hawks who should start include OG/DE Brandon Johnson (5-10, 210), SE/DB Sean Malone (6-2, 155), and promising sophomore lineman Seth Cole (6-2, 220). Junior Jason Feinberg (5-10, 195) lettered as a soph and doubles at FB/LB.

At KOFA, it was a rough campaign. The varsity finished 3-7, the JV team 0-5-2. It's not going to get better. But the Kings have a new coach as they start play in the new Desert Valley Region.

Dennis McAlister is the Kings' latest mentor. One of his biggest weapons will be place-kicker Toby Krout (6-0, 175), a star on the soccer team. But senior leadership must come from OG/DT Dennis Farar (6-1, 225), OT/DT Scott McLeod (6-3, 220), TB/CB Rusty Pool (6-0, 175), a 4.7 runner, FB/LB Marvin Lehr (5-10, 210), and OG/DT Raul Rodriguez (5-8, 200).

Kofa expects to get good performance from three underclassmen: junior OT/DE Eric Winkleman (6-3, 225). soph OT/DT Hobart Williams (6-0, 260), and soph FB/LB Rhett Stallworth (5-9, 215). If these three Kings come through, Kofa might surprise a few foes in the new region. But right now the so-called experts are expecting them to finish in the basement.

Tempe Top Pick in 4A Race

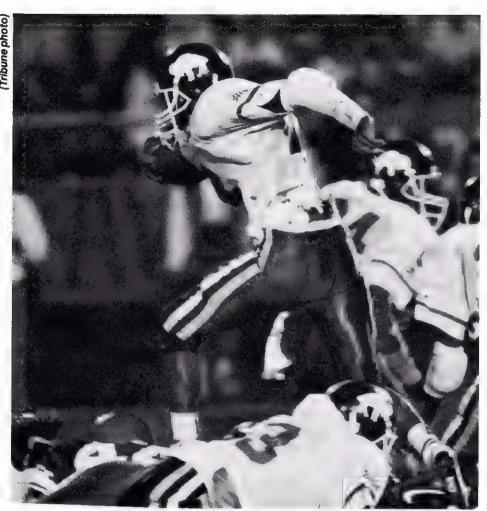
This could be the Buffaloes' year. Coach Jim Murphy, 26-18-0 at **TEMPE** between 1978-81, has the horses to win the race. In fact, several of the fastest teams in the state reside in the new 4A alignment.

Tempe is loaded at the skill positions. Several were members of the Buffs' state champion 400-meter relay team last spring. Speedy Steve Douglas (5-9, 170) was one of them. A triple threat at WR/RB/DB, Douglas ran the fastest 110-meter high hurdle time in the state (14.41), and runs 40 yards in 4.55 seconds.

Quarterback Lee Schrack (5-10, 170) could have the best receivers in 4A ball with the return of all-city TE Daniel Taplin (6-1, 210) and cat-quick WR Brian Watkins (5-7, 165), a 4.5 burner with "great hands." The talented Taplin long jumps 23 feet and throws the discus 172 feet.

Tempe's backfield will consist of half-back Ty Armstead (6-0, 175) and fullback Jerome Moss (5-11, 205), an all-city linebacker with 4.7 speed. Two of the best linemen in the East Sky Region, tackle Mario Estrada (6-0, 244) and junior guard Paul Northcutt (5-10, 188), wear the Buffalo blue.

Altogether, Tempe returns 21 players from last year, one of the largest collection of returning lettermen in the Valley. That's bad news for foes in the 4A ranks.



Tempe's Ty Armstead (22) is off to the races.

"I honestly think Tempe would be real tough this year in 5A ball," says Mesa Dobson's Mike Clark. "They've got some real burners."

Tempe's biggest challenge could come from its own region, where Joe Corte at **CORONADO** returns some gifted skill players of his own. The Dons welcome back only nine lettermen from

4A— EAST SKY REGION

- 1. Tempe Union
- 2. Scottsdale Coronado
- 3. Casa Grande
- 4. Prescott
- 5. Scottsdale Arcadia
- 6. Apache Junction
- 7. North Phoenix

last year's 6-4 club, but those nine can play.

"We had a good season which could have been better," says Corte, a head coach in Scottsdale since 1975. "Four or five plays made the difference. We have good skill players this year. But more important, we have better speed on defense."

One of the best in the region is RB/DB Kevin McLemore (6-2, 190), a blue-chip defender with 4.6 speed. McLemore may be the best defensive back in the Valley. Another strong spot is QB, where B.J. Pasquel (5-11, 175) returns for his senior campaign. A lefty, Pasquel gives the Dons experience at the most crucial position on offense.

Big Eric Mills (6-3, 195) doubles at TE/DE and makes a good target. Burt Pachello (6-2, 185) lines up at WB and is the Dons' top linebacker. Greg Colbert (6-2, 190) is a top-notch defensive end. Blake Edwards (5-10, 170) and Kevin Allen (5-10, 170) look alike and double at HB/DB. Allen is a junior. The Dons' fullback is Pat Daugherty (5-10, 195), like Pachello an experienced linebacker.

Coronado last appeared in the playoffs in 1981, Tom Dahl's last year as head coach. If Pasquel stays healthy at QB, the Dons should be able to move the ball. Their offense won't have firepower like Tempe's, but their defense could be the best in the region. And with McLemore, Pasquel, Edwards and Allen in the secondary, Coronado will match up with any "pass happy"

opponent.

In his first year at the helm. Coach Rod Purdom took CASA GRANDE to the playoffs. The Cougars finished 6-5 after falling to Tucson Pueblo in the first round, Backfield strength faces Purdom at pre-season, with four quality runners to pick from: Lance Moreno (5-9, 160), Mike Scott (5-10, 160), D.J. Johnson (5-9, 180) and Chris Trejo (5-9, 160).

1989 **Phoenix Metro Top 20**

- I. Tempe Buffaloes
- 2. Greenway Demons
- 3. Coronado Dons
- 4. Peoria Panthers
- 5. Agua Fria Owls
- 6. Cactus Cobras
- 7. Washington Rams
- 8. Ironwood Eagles
- 9. Cortez Colts
- 10. Arcadia Titans
- 11. Independence Patroits
- 12. Thunderbird Chiefs
- 13. Sunnyslope Vikings
- 14. Buckeye Hawks
- 15. Tolleson Wolverines
- 16. Glendale Cardinals
- 17. Apache Jct. Prospectors
- 18. Phoenix Christian Cougars
- 19. Bourgade Eagles
- 20. Cactus Shadows Falcons

Moreno rushed 92 times for 585 yards (6.4) and six touchdowns. He doubles at DB and earned 2nd team all-league honors. Scott, also a DB, averaged 5.1 yards per carry and scored twice. Trejo, just a junior, was brought up from the JV team late in the season and averaged 9.7 yards and scored two touchdowns. He played real well in the playoff loss to Pueblo. Fullback Johnson is also a junior. He's one of the better athletes in the region, having long jumped 23-11/2 as a sophomore, best in the state. Ironically, it isn't even a school record for a sophomore. In 1953, the school's legendary football/track star, Junior Tate, leaped 23-10 as a soph.

Like Coronado, another top-notch defensive club resides in PRESCOTT, where the Badgers welcome 16 players from a near-perfect 12-1 club. Coach Bill Gahn returns a good nucleus, starting with QB/DB Mike Henwood (5-9, 155), TE Ryan Suttles (6-6, 215) and LB Jud Holmes (6-0, 190), all seniors. Holmes is a champion discus thrower. with a best toss of 165-7. With DE Brian Shockey (6-3, 205), RB Scott Duncan (5-6, 140), DB Tom West (5-10, 190), OT Brendon Gray (6-0, 195) and LB Jayson McNally (6-0, 185) healthy and in the lineup, Prescott will be tough, especially at home.

Coach Jay Phillips has a big rebuilding job at ARCADIA, where the Titans lost most of their offensive and defensive lines through graduation. On defense, the entire front wall is gone, including two linebackers. Arcadia finished 6-6 last fall.

"We were better than our record indicated," insists Phillips. "It was good to win at least one game in the playoffs last year."

Like most teams in the 4A-East Sky Region, Arcadia's strength will be the skill positions. The line will be a weakness, although center Jayson Clark (5-11, 185) is a good one. Quarterback John Rowland (5-11, 170) and running backs Matt Gleash (5-10, 180), Jay Conley (5-9, 180) and Hiawatha Phifer (5-9, 160) will be the nucleus of the club, along with Clark.

"There is a possibility that a couple of sophomores will make the varsity," claims Phillips. "Josh Gullekson has the best chance of all. He started on the varsity basketball team as a freshman. There is little question as to his overall athletic ability.'

With an enrollment below 900 students, APACHE JUNCTION is the smallest school in the East Sky Region. Last fall, the Prospectors finished 5-5 and missed the playoffs by two points. "If we can come up with some tackles on offense and a tight end, we could hold our own," says Steve Combs, head coach since 1986. "Last year was the best team we had at AJ in the past four vears."

Senior Jeff Cox is small (5-7, 165) but can make things happen, at QB, WR or DB. Steve Fulton (5-10, 180) is a tough LB/OG with 4.8 speed. Jose Valenzuela (5-10, 210) is one of the biggest Prospectors in camp. Senior Bryan Smith (5-11, 200) is the strongest. Center Max Ragsdale (5-10, 185) won honorable mention all-conference honors last year. Apache Junction's biggest problem will be depth. Most of the schools in the East Sky Region have 1,500 to 1,900 students. The Prospectors will have their hands full.

4A— WEST VALLEY REGION

- 1. Phoenix Greenway
- 2. Peoria
- 3. Agua Fria
- 4. Glendale Cactus
- 5. Glendale Ironwood
- Tolleson
- 7. Lake Havasu

Watch out for GREENWAY. For two years, the Demons tore up most of the old Skyline Division. Now the 4A-West Valley Region awaits. "We will finally be playing schools of our size," smiles Gregg Parrish, the school's head coach since 1983. "We are very excited about our new schedule."

But where is Mike Salmon and Winston Weems when they need them? State player of the year Salmon signed with USC. Weems signed with Utah State. However, 18 Demons from last year's playoff team return, and that's good news.

Little Satsay Singpradith (5-6, 150) returns at QB after a great junior season: 164 attempts, 96 completions (58%), 1,284 yards and 14 touchdowns. Fullback Aaron Adams (5-8, 175), WR/DB Brad Pendgraft (6-0, 170) and OG/LB Scott Heusmann (6-4, 215) can run, hit and tackle. Adams has started 22 straight games at FB/LB and should provide great leadership.

Another Adams, HB/DB Ryan (5-9, 170), runs 40 yards in 4.6 seconds, along with WB/DB Brent Hulbert (5-8, 170). The Demons' line is solid with giants like Greg Buce (6-3, 230), Chad Dykes (6-4, 230) and Greg Barajas (6-3, 230) in uniform.

"We will be bigger and stronger than the last few years," claims Parrish, who has posted back-to-back 8-3 campaigns. "We should be a much more physical team than in recent years."

Last year, PEORIA became one of the few teams in Arizona history to compete in three consecutive state championship games. Time ran out for the Panthers. Rival Agua Fria High in Avondale cut them off at the pass—Sun Devil Stadium-13-7 in the AAA-2 title game, Prior to that, Peoria had won back-to-back state crowns in 1986-87.

"Few people thought we would be there again," says Doug Clapp, 32-10-0 (.762) in three years at Peoria. "But it is amazing what you can accomplish with hard work and faith in each other.

"We lost a lot. We won't have any big name players in the senior class, but





Coronado's Kevin McLemore (25) is dragged down by Saguaro's Cody Goff.

we'll have some athletes who will make names for themselves.'

One who has already made a name for himself is halfback Tony Rojas (5-9. 155), a second team all-stater who rushed for 1,163 yards as a sophomore. He averaged 6.5 yards per carry. Another junior, fullback Armando Castro (5-11, 170), averaged 6.6 yards per clip.

The junior class at Peoria is loaded. Clapp may have two all-league performers in TE/SS Aaron Franklin (6-1, 195) and OG/LB Carlos Romero (6-2, 225). Both are impact players. Senior Randy Johnson (5-10, 150) started in the secondary and is the quickest (4.55)back in the West Valley Region.

Year after year, Peoria tees off with big linemen. This year is no exception: OT Juan Antonio Perkins (6-2, 245), DT Benito Martinez (5-10, 245), OG Eddie Perales (6-3, 205), TE/DE Dennis Miller (6-4, 195) and center Brad Conlin (6-1, 240), to name a few. Big Dwayne Wright (6-0, 275) is a promising move-in.

Senior Louie Vega (6-2, 160) will get competition at QB from move-in Chris Heddings (5-10, 185), a junior who also plays safety. Senior Rich Graffins (6-1, 185) and junior Mike Steele (5-11, 195) add depth at linebacker.

"This should really be an interesting year with the new 4A league," concludes Clapp." We are looking forward to the new division. This group will be young and talented and go as far as they want to go."

So is AGUA FRIA. Young and talented, that is. They have already gone as far as they wanted to. Right to the state championship throne. Coach Tom Wheatley, 101-47-2 in the prep ranks, returns 17 squad members from last year's 11-3 champs. But very few started.

"We'll see lots of new faces," warns Wheatley, "We must mature very quickly. We play in a very strong region. Maybe the strongest in the new 4A division."

One familar face is back: FB Keith Huckaby (5-9, 190), one half of Agua Fria's touchdown tandem. Last year, Huckaby rushed for 1,395 yards and 18 touchdowns. Teammate Kenny Brown, now at Texas-El Paso, scored 15 times and rushed for 1,313 yards. Huckaby is quick (4.55) and strong (300 clean).

Senior tailback James Pennington (6-2, 195) must take pressure of Huckaby for the Owls' offense to click. Like Huckaby, Pennington doubles at linebacker. He's also quick (4.6) and strong (300 bench/245 clean). Seniors Tony Cluff (6-3, 168) and Danny Chevalier (6-0, 183) help give Agua Fria the best collection of linebackers in the West Valley Region.

Finding a quarterback for the Owls' wing-T will be top priority. Center Henry Laborin (5-9, 220) will touch the ball first. But who will he snap it to? Seniors Mike Holmes (5-8, 178) and Abel Uriarte (5-10, 210) are the guards. Ralph Garza (5-9, 260) and William Eisenhuth (6-0, 248) are the tackles. Eisenhuth is a junior. Wingback Paul Sarzoza (5-11, 167) doubles in the secondary.

Graduation ran off with so much of Larry Fetkenhier's firepower at CAC-TUS, it's hard to believe anything is left. In just two players, QB Bret Powers and TB Derrick Ray, the Cobras lost 3,147 vards of real estate. But the 10-3 Cobras totaled 4,631 yards. Some of the punch must be back.

It returns in the form Ryan Christopherson, a 6-0, 210-pound senior with 4.7 speed and real good stats. Last fall, lining up at fullback, Ryan averaged 10.1 yards per carry, rushed for 1,098 yards and scored 15 of the Cobras' 67 touchdowns. Another weapon comes in the form of place kicker Kyle Pooler, a 5-11, 161-pound senior. Last fall Kyle booted 47 PATS (96 so far in his career), 8 field goals and averaged 54.6 yards with his kickoffs. Pooler can also put points on the board from his wide receiver slot.

Another receiver is Jason Birdsong (6-1, 178), who caught 28 passes for 460 yards and a 16.4 average as a sophomore. Birdsong and Alex Bryant, a 5-10, 168-pound senior, are two of the fastest receivers in the West Valley Region. Birdsong runs 40 yards in 4.58 seconds, Bryant 4.49. Bryant caught 10 passes for 150 yards and two scores.

Linebacker Greg Morrow (6-0, 193) is the defensive leader. The talented senior was the Cobras' leading tackler (143) in 1988. Lee Coking (5-10, 178) is another linebacker in Cactus' multiple 50-defense. Robby McCarty (5-10, 164)

is a starting defensive back.

Senior Brian Judd (6-3, 183) has some big shoes to fill at quarterback. But he has the supporting cast to do it, and game experience under his belt: 12 of 23 (52%) for 159 yards. He'll surpass those marks in his first game. Also, Cactus' young interior line will feature these promising juniors: OG Mark Landa (6-3, 251), OT Travis Guiney (6-4, 238), OG Jerry Romero (6-2, 228) and center Mondel Farnsworth (6-0, 198).

"We were close to getting it all," says Fetkenhier, 50-12-1 (.806) at the Glendale school. "We came up a little short again. We had great seniors who lost

just four games in two years."

Since 1980, under Ron Horn and now Fetkenhier, Cactus is one of the state's winningest schools. Since Fetkenhier took over in 1984, the Cobras have gone 8-3-1, 11-3, 9-2, 12-1 and 10-3. Only a state championship eludes them.

IRONWOOD, an up-and-coming club from Glendale, joins the West Valley Region to help make this field the toughest in the state. The Eagles, coached by Mark Matheson, finished 3-7 in their first varsity campaign. They'll get better.

Tackle Mark Sailer (6-3, 235) and deep back Brady Skidmore (5-11, 170) lead the pack. Skidmore is also a running back. Sailer can line up on either side of the ball. Linebacker Erik Soderberg (5-11, 185) and deep back Matt Franze (5-8, 160) are co-captains.

Fullback Robert Williams (6-1, 200), the team's leading rusher, and halfback Tommy Smith (6-1, 170) give Ironwood excellent scoring punch. Quarterback Eugene Lorence (6-2, 170) is a smart, steady player. Tackle Justin Bruce (6-0, 200) is a three-year starter.

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Joey Lumpkin, Scottsdale	114
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With DE Ed Galindo (5-11, 210) and LB Mike Cano (5-10, 195) in the lineup, Matheson will have two other top-notch defensive players. Both are tough, steady players. But he'd also have the fastest backfield in the state, if Chris Amos would come out for football. Amos is the fastest schoolboy in Arizona, with best times of 10.79, 21.80, and 47.8 as a junior.

LAKE HAVASU is truely in the West Valley Region. You can't go any farther west and still be in Arizona. The Knights went 7-3 last fall but are looking for a new coach. They won't have to look for any running backs or receivers. Halfback Brian Hunsley (6-0, 180), TE Aaron Bracamonte (6-1, 190) and SE Eric Casteel (6-2, 165) are veteran players. Tackle Mark Halcomb (6-1, 255) could be one of the best in the West.

4A— SKYLINE REGION

- 1. Phoenix Washington
- 2. Phoenix Cortez
- 3. Glendale Independence
- 4. Phoenix Thunderbird
- 5. Sunnyslope
- 6. Glendale
- 7. Yuma Cibola

If defense wins games, **WASHING-TON** is a safe pick to win the 4A-Skyline

Region. The Rams return 10 players who started on defense at one time or another. "We made great strides last year," says Steve Chisman, who watched his club finish 6-4-1. "We got a great effort from our senior class, and were blessed with a good group of juniors."

Altogether, 17 lettermen return. The first to touch the ball on every play is the center, and Washington is blessed with one of the best in the region, 6-2, 230-pound senior Jim Wilkin. Finding a QB to replace all-stater Donny Simmons is a problem. He passed for 2,600 yards in two years, and is headed for NJCAA champ, Glendale CC.

Finding a top-flight pass-catching corps is no problem. Junior Carlos Artis (6-2, 170) is one of the best in the region. As a sophomore he ran 400-meters in 49.56, best in the state for his grade. Better yet, he runs 40 yards in 4.5 seconds. If he continues to improve, he's blue chip material. "He's a gifted athlete with lots of jumping ability," says basketball assistant Billy Moffett of the Rams' popular three-sport star. Senior Tom Smith (6-2, 170) is another Ram wide-out. So is Adam Barnholt (6-0, 160), the team's kicker.

Washington's defense is loaded with depth and experience: LB/RB Curtis Lee, LB/FB John Salas, LB/WB Steve Anderson, LB/OG Eric Floyd, DB/QB Art Casillas, DB/WB Rob Potts, LB/OC Jack Ryan, LB/OG Jay Whitney and DE/RB Tyran Williams. Junior line-backers John Becktold, Mike Burgess and Mark Magnuson played on a 4-4 JV team.

Before playing Skyline Region foes, Washington must wade through a tough non-district schedule against Tolleson, Arcadia, West Valley Region favorite Greenway, and Grand Canyon Region favorite Flagstaff, in that order. At least Greenway and Flagstaff are home games. But the first league game is on the road against rival Sunnyslope.

Robby Roberson replaces veteran Dave Leikvold at **CORTEZ**, where the Colts return only six players from a 5-4-1 finish. But a Skyline Region title isn't out of the question, thanks to a good collection of top-notch linemen. Senior center Pat Brinigar (6-0, 220) will be flanked by the likes of OG Russ Marble (5-9, 190), OT Dominique Guzman (6-4, 230), OT Kurt Tompkins (6-2, 215), and tight ends Brad Lee (6-0, 190) and Joe Pawlons (6-1, 180).

If everybody stays healthy, Cortez should have one of the better running games in the league. All the Colts need to do is line up on the ball, hand it off to junior fullback Eric Gardner (5-10, 175), and stuff it down opponents' throats. A good passing game will make them

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stronger. Roberson, a former Colt himself, could have a good first year on

the job.

Coach Rich Hoyt enters his third year at **INDEPENDENCE.** The Patriots finished 3-7, but lost three games by a combined total of five points. The head coach is 92-42-3 in the business, just 8 games short of 100 wins. Hopefully, the ball club will give the coach at least five wins. In one season. But the Patroits haven't won five games since 1984, when Steve Daly coached them. Greg Parrish, now head coach at Greenway, left them with a 7-3-1 mark in 1982.

Independence returns one honors candidate, honorable mention all-league LB Jesse Rodriguez (5-8, 175), a small but tough defender. Junior Mike Dobosh and senior Chad Bourassa will compete for the QB slot. The rest of the roster includes TB Carl Mason, RB Jerry Wooden, OC Chris Yarbrough, WR Brian Spearman, LB Leo Lemieux, RB Scott Williams and LB Chris Gallegos. Junior tackles David Padgett (6-1, 210) and Dan Underwood (5-9, 225) are the biggest Patriots in camp.

Improvement is the name of the game at **THUNDERBIRD**, where Mike Brown's Chiefs finished 1-8-1. Only six lettermen return, but the junior varsity went 5-3 so help is on the way. "It was very dismal," says the third-year coach. "There's only one place to go and that's up. Ernie Dora, our great assistant coach, has held the program together

for 15 years."

If tackle Jim Bracco has anything to say about it, Thunderbird will be vastly improved. The 6-3, 215-pound two-way performer joins teammate Mark Larson (6-0, 200) to give the Chiefs two tough linemen. Seniors Rick Arbogast (6-0, 200) doubles at FB/LB, Nathan Warren (6-0, 185) at WR/DB, and Joe Butticci (5-10, 165) at RB/DB. Tight end Mason Hess (6-4, 190) is a promising junior who doubles at linebacker.

The Chiefs, with an enrollment of 1,600 students, drop down to 4A competition and that will help. They will finally go to war with schools their size. If the injury bug stays away, T'Bird fans could have a winning team to follow.

After three straight years in the playoffs, **SUNNYSLOPE** hit the skids in 1987, recording 4-6, 1-9 campaigns. The Vikings new coach will have one dozen seniors to work with, but strength may come from the junior class: QB Chad Bilbrey (6-1, 195), WB Chris Werring (6-0, 170) and OG Kent Lindner (6-0, 180) have bright futures.

However, senior leadership is needed if 'Slope is to improve, and that should

come in the form of FB Tim Willis (6-0, 180) and TE Mark Nally (6-2, 195). Both are strong, hard runners with decent speed (4.9). Since the JV club won only three games, a playoff spot could be a long-shot.

Give Tom Hernandez some credit. The **GLENDALE** head coach as stuck through some pretty hard times. The Cardinals, once a power in prep football, have won only four games since 1984. "Injuries kept us from being competitive," said Hernandez after a 1-9 season. "However, we have the best crop of returning lettermen in a long, long time. It looks promising for us."

The Cards' backfield looks slick with QB Gene Wright (6-3, 160) and running backs Jim Huehn (5-9, 175), Terry Belder (5-11, 175) and Brian Kilpatrick (5-10, 160) ready for action. Tight end Hector Valenzuela (5-10, 195) and tackles Mark Evans (6-2, 202) and Jeff Pugh (6-1, 195) will clear the way. On the defensive side of the ball, watch for LB Alex Miranda (5-10, 155) and DB Eddie Williamson (5-8, 140) to shine.

Glendale is not very big or physical,

but Tom Hernandez' crew will be as quick as most teams in the Skyline Region. Depth will still be a problem. It's a numbers game, and Glendale, with 1,000 students, is the second smallest school in the league.

Young YUMA CIBOLA, the new kid on the block, is the latest member of the Skyline Region. Coach Tim Lino's crew, playing a JV schedule, finished 6-2, but now move up to the varsity wars. "The kids responded quite well to a brand new school situation," insists Lino. "But we'll be playing a varsity schedule with all juniors. The challenge will be great, but exciting."

The Black & Gold Raiders will have one of the biggest tackles in the league, 6-1, 235-pound defender Christian Hutton. The rest of the top-flight players play offense: QB Andy Ramirez (5-10, 175), RB Phillip Fitzgerald (5-10, 165) and WR Jeret Cheatham (5-8, 150). Defensively, little Fernie Quiroz (5-7, 150) mans a corner, while promising sophomore Brian Ridley (6-1, 190) plays linebacker and fullback.



Valley Christian's Geoff Kuzmich scores on 50 yard pass from QB Scott Yarbrough against Joseph City. VCHS won, 54-28.

Few schools in Maricopa County have played as many games as **BUCKEYE.** The Hawks, coached this year by Jerry Nunez, played their first game in 1923. Last year they finished 3-5-1. They now compete in Class AAA competition. Tight end Sean Allen (6-2, 185) appears to be one of the biggest and fastest (4.8) in preseason drills. Center Virgil

Ray (5-10, 170) is one of the quickest (4.7) lineman around. The coaching staff is high on OG Gene Elms (6-0, 190), LB Chad Turner (5-8, 180), WR Jose Canez (6-2, 170), and little QB Phil Hart (5-8, 155).

For the first time in 20 years, Walt Beamis will not walk the sidelines at **PHOENIX CHRISTIAN.** After 150 wins,

71 losses and 4 ties, the veteran coach stepped down. Tony Bracciale takes over. The Cougars have three returning starters out of 30 prospects: RB/DB Wes Bonham (6-1, 155), C/LB Mike Broek (6-0, 170), and QB/DB Erik Scheider (5-11, 155). Also, Alan Alvarado, Joe Souza, Mike Sutton and Adam Moore should provide PC with potential leadership. The Cougars now compete in the AA-Central Region.

"We are very excited about the upcoming season," says Bill Cerjak at **BOURGADE CATHOLIC.** "After a year of taking our lumps (3-7), we should have a good football team. We won't be big, but we'll have quickness and strength."

The Golden Eagles look for junior John Soza (5-10, 165) to be successful throwing to receivers Tony Gomez (5-10, 165), Glen Pohle (5-6, 150) and Sam Hansen (6-1, 180), a junior wingback. Senior FB Joe Asher (6-1, 185) had three 100-plus games. Not bad for a 3-7 team. Eric Brandjes, Wayne Dickman, Chris Price, Stacey Hodges and Hubert Jean Louise should also shine.

CACTUS SHADOWS, one of the newest schools in the Valley, gets closer to the title game each year. Since 1985, Gerry LaBelle-coached teams have finished 5-5, 6-4-1, 8-2, 10-1, for a 29-12-1 mark, a .707 winning log. They compete in the Class AA ranks this year.

"We are facing the toughest schedule in the short history of the school," insists LaBelle. "We must replace 10 starters on defense. But we have 93 kids signed up for football. We believe we can fill our needs with those numbers,"

The Falcons look for the following players to make a major contribution in quest for a third straight league title: QB/DB Gregg Baker (5-8, 150), first team all-state center Clint Butler (5-8, 165), junior OT/DT Reuben Valenzuela (6-4, 240), junior OG/DT Ryan Clement (5-9, 170), and FB/LB Chris Colson (5-11, 190). Colson rushed for 786 vards and four touchdowns. Valenzuela is the son of former South Mountain all-stater Raul Valenzuela. Older brother Raul, Jr., is currently playing for Glendale CC.

WICKENBURG finished 5-5 last year, but return most of their starters from that .500 club. One of the biggest Wranglers in camp is two-way tackle Nathan Bennett (6-3, 240), a senior with allleague potential. Alex Macias, the top scorer on the basketball team, has a shot at QB. Junior Curtis Berger (6-5, 205) is a gifted receiver. Like Macias, the big junior also stars on the basketball team. He's also a track star, and

one of the best athletes in the league. Speedy Sean Miller (5-8, 150) starts at WR/DB. Chris Cox (5-10, 155) is a senior running back.

It was a disappointing finish for ARIZONA LUTHERAN, where the Covotes finished 6-4 and missed the playoffs when Antelope beat them, 28-27 with no time left on the clock. "We gained lots of experience, says Doug Lange. But now we'll have to prove ourselves in a new, tough league.'

That league is the AA-Central. These five Coyotes will have to lead the way: DE/OG Eric Richty (6-0, 190), a first team all-league performer as a junior, DE/TE Paul Hoffman (6-5, 190), an excellent offensive target, OG/NG Ken Wagenknecht (5-10, 175), a good trapping/pulling guard, QB/DB Chad Jaehnig (5-10, 160), and little defensive back Ray Stauffer (5-5, 150), the best open-field tackler on the team.

It's going to be an interesting year at SETON CATHOLIC, where the Sentinels join the AA-West Region, which includes the likes of state powerhouse, Eloy Santa Cruz. Also, Seton has a new coach, Frank Castro, former head at Tempe Marcos de Niza. Long-time coach Thurman Simmons joins Castro at the Chandler school.

Junior OB Chris Rael (5-7, 155) will run Seton's option offense. Halfbacks Brett Schurr (5-9, 160) and Chris Chavez (5-9, 155) will carry the mail. Lots of it. Center Mark Lovato (6-0, 195) will be a real key to the offense. He also doubles at LB. Tackle Duane Ouintal (6-1, 195) and deep back Mark Bustillos (6-0, 180) are top-notch defenders.

It was a very satisfying season at VALLEY CHRISTIAN, where the Trojans finished 8-2 in 8-man ball. It was only their second year in the league. "It was quite unexpected," said Bernon Benson, 129-99-6 after 27 years in the profession. "Moving up to Class AA after two years will be a big jump. But we

have a number of good athletes returning. They are fighters.

Quarterback Scott Yarbrough (6-2, 165) is back to run the Trojans' wing-T offense. He passed and rushed for 1,308 vards. At safety, he intercepted 5 passes and recorded 48 solo tackles. Halfback Luke Benedict (5-11, 170) was the leading rusher with 881 yards. Junior LB Chris Dobson (5-11, 160) made 45 tackles. Junior CB Adam Haynes (5-9, 155) made 32. Junior LB Oeung Ner (5-9, 160) led the team with 51. Big Armon Williams (6-1, 160) plays FB/LB and led the team in scoring with 68 points. He's just a sophomore.

Coach Jack DeGrenier lost half his starting lineup from last year's state runnerup team, but SCOTTSDALE CHRISTIAN could still be in the hunt. Patagonia beat the Eagles 38-26 in the 8-man finals. Thirteen underclassmen return, including QB/DB David Mousaw (6-2, 185), an all-state selection as a kicker. "He has major college potential," insist his coach.

Another all-stater was OG/DE Rick Erickson (6-0, 190), the team's best blocking lineman, and a good small college prospect. Senior Joe Scarzone (5-10, 175) could be a scoring threat at RB and defensive menace at LB. Junior Chad DeGrenier (6-2, 180) was one of the leaders on defense. He's the Troians' backup OB.

Watch for NORTHWEST CHRIS-**TIAN** to bounce back from a 2-7 finish and battle for an 8-man playoff spot. The Crusaders were 19-3 under Dale Peterson in 1986-87, but struggled last fall. Peterson returns and 19 lettermen greet him. The top prospects: DE/LB Justin Ricker (5-11, 170), RB Brian Miller (5-9, 150), QB Derek Wahlstrom (6-5, 179), and junior LB/FB Greg Stinnett (6-4, 250). Wahlstrom has already thrown 32 TD passes at NWCC, 17 last

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TOUCHDOWNS(SEASON)

.. Derrick Ray, Cactus, 1988 .. Derrick Ray, Cactus, 1987 30 .. Marvin Johnson, Peoria, 1987

.. Bob Soza, Westwood, 1966

.. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1983 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1946

26 .. Sean Reeder, Cactus Shadows, 1988

25 .. Quentin Gregory, Arcadia, 1960
25 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1967
25 .. Paul Kasprzyk, Mtn. View, 1983
25 .. Cleveland Colter, McClintock, 1985

TOUCHDOWNS(CAREER)

76 .. Derrick Ray, Cactus, 1986-88 (3) 63 .. George Greathouse, Carver/Phoenix Union, 1952-55 (4)

Sean Reeder, Cactus Shadows, 1985-88(4)

61 .. Jerry Bridgman, Buckeye, 1955-58 60 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1964-67 54 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1981-83 52 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1944-46 47 .. Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1972-74

46 .. Lowell McDonald, Glendale, 1941-44

43 .. LaFayette Winrow, Carver, 1950-53 41 .. Cleveland Colter, McClintock, 1983-85 41 .. Reggie McGill, St. Mary's, 1984-86

41 .. Marvin Johnson, Peoría, 1986-87

TOUCHDOWNS(GAME)

6 .. Cotton Rieman, Phoenix Union, 1928

6 .. Art Holbrook, Glendale, 1936 6 .. Bill Crabtree, Agua Fria, 1952 (so) 6 .. Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982 6 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1983 6 .. Art Greathouse, McClintock, 1984 (jr)

6 .. Darren Woodsen, Maryvale, 1986

POINTS(SEASON)

213 .. Cleveland Colter, McClintock, 1985

204 .. Derrick Ray, Cactus, 1988 188 .. Derrick Ray, Cactus, 1987 (jr) 181 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1946

180 .. Marvin Johnson, Peoria, 1987

174 .. Bob Soza, Westwood, 1966 174 .. Anthony Parker, McCliontock, 1983 165 .. Larry Tate, Peoria, 1965 157 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1967

156 .. Sean Reeder, Cactus Shadows, 1988 152 .. Paul Kasprzyk, Mtn. View, 1983

150 .. Quentin Gregory, Arcadia, 1960

POINTS(CAREER)
460 .. Derrick Ray, Cactus, 1986-88 (3)
386 .. Sean Reeder, Cactus Shadows, 1985-88(4)
383 .. George Greathouse, Carver/Phoenix

Union, 1952-55

378 .. Jerry Bridgman, Buckeye, 1955-58

376 .. Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1972-74 368 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1964-67

353 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1944-46 344 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1981-83 303 .. Cleveland Colter, McClintock, 1983-85

POINTS(GAME)

36 .. Cotton Rieman, Phoenix Union, 1928

36 .. Art Holbrook, Glendale, 1936 36 .. Bill Crabtree, Agua Fria, 1952 (so) 36 .. Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982 36 .. Anthony Parker, McClintock, 1983 36 .. Art Greathouse, McClintock, 1984(jr)

RUSHING YARDS(SEASON)
1,991 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1946
1,952 .. Scott Shill, Corona del Sol, 1981
1,927 .. Bob Soza, Westwood, 1966
1,913 .. David Mitchell, St. Mary's, 1974(jr)
1,912 .. Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982
1,905 .. Sean Reeder, Cactus Shadows, 1988
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1,854 .. Kevin Galbreath, Maryvale, 1986(jr) 1,812 .. Marvin Johnson, Peoria, 1987 1,775 .. Derrick Ray, Cactus, 1987 (jr)

1,771 .. Remy Carrasco, Gilbert, 1985 1,720 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1967

RUSHING YARDS(CAREER)

5,204 .. Sean Reeder, Cactus Shadows, 1985-88 (4)

4,551 .. George Greathouse, Carver/Phoenix

4,551 .. George Greathouse, Carver/Phoenix Union, 1952-55 4,417 .. Jerry Bridgman, Buckeye, 1955-58 4,307 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1944-46 (3) 4,128 .. Derrick Ray, Cactus, 1986-88 4,050 .. Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1972-74 3,828 .. Reggie McGill, St. Mary's, 1984-86 3,632 .. David Mitchell, St. Mary's, 1973-75 3,561 .. Scott Shill, Corofna del Sol, 1978-8l 3,520 .. Tim Smith, St. Mary's, 1964-67

RUSHING YARDS(GAME) 358 .. Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982 344 .. Brian Pringle, Sunnyslope, 1970

339 .. Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1972(so) 327 .. Jim McQuinn, Central, 1976

314 .. Vai Sikahema, Mesa, 1978

307 .. Chuck Bishop, Judson, 1964 306 .. Eric Parham, Marcos de Niza, 1981

CARRIES(GAME)

44 .. Forrest Valora, Trevor Browne, 1975 43 .. Forrest Valore, Trevor Browne, 1975 40 .. Craig Amack, Tempe, 1974 39 .. Gus Armstrong, St. Mary's, 1976 37 .. Steve Romero, Mesa, 1970

37 .. Ronnie Bonner, Westwood, 1973(jr)

37 .. Gus Armstrong, St. Mary's 1975 37 .. Larry Muckerman, Brophy Prep, 1964

AVERAGE YARDS PER CARRY

12.6 .. Jerry Bridgman, Buckeye, 1955(jr) 12.5 .. Jerry Bridgman, Buckeye, 1957(jr) 12.3 .. Rick Kelton, Gilbert, 1974 12.0 .. Jerry Bridgman, Buckeye, 1956(so) 11.9 .. Sean Reeder, Cactus Shadows, 1987 (jr)

10.8 .. Jerry Lamb, Chanadler, 1955(jr) 10.7 .. Everett Rollins, Arcadia, 1962

10.1 .. Ryan Christopherson, Cactus, 1988 (jr)

10.0 .. Earliest Nelson, South Mtn., 1963

AVERAGE YARDS PER CARRY(CAREER)

12.3 ., Jerry Bridgman, Buckeye, 1955-58

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN RUN

99 .. Sammy Johnson, Mesa, 1952 99 .. Craig Poncziak, Gerard, 1964 99 .. Jerry Harper, Chaparral, 1980 99 .. Tom Collins, Apollo, 1985 99 .. Randy Carr, Central, 1986

.. Marvin Davis, Tempe, 1950 .. Jim Rawlins, Tempe, 1950

98 .. Danny Arredondo, Tempe, 1952

RUSHING YARDS PER GAME

181.0 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1946 173.8 .. Glenn Rogers, Agua Fria, 1982

173.2 .. Sean Reeder, Cactus Shadows, 1988 162.1 .. Scott Shill, Corona del Sol, 1981

160.6 .. Bob Soza, Westwood, 1966 157.6 .. George Greathouse, PUHS, 1954(jr) 151.5 .. Forrest Valora, Trevor Browne, 1977

PASSING YARDS(SEASON)
2,539 .. Kent Kiefer, McClintock, 1985
2,233 .. Steve Belles, St. Mary's, 1984
2,226 .. John Bonds, St. Mary's, 1987
2,170 .. Kent Kiefer, McClintock, 1983(so)
2,033 .. William Babb, Peoria, 1987 2,011 ..

2,011 .. Cary Palmer, Mesa, 1974 1,984 .. Cary Palmer, Mesa, 1973(j 1,951 .. Chuck LeVinus, Cactus, 1984

1,947 .. Kevin Smith, Saguaro, 1978(jr)

PASSING YARDS(CAREER)

6,346 .. Kent Kiefer, McClintock, 1983-85(3) 4,712 .. Scooter Molander, CDS, 1982-84

4,596 .. Steve Belles, St. Mary's, 1982-84

4,135 .. William Babb, Peoria, 1985-87 4,007 .. Fred Mortensen, Tempe, 1969-71

3,995 .. Cary Palmer, Mesa, 1973-74(2) 3,597 .. Tom Baker, St. Mary's, 1969-71





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Washington's Elby Bushong (25) races 102 yards with a pass interception vs. Flagstaff in 1961. Teammate Mickey Batsell (11) escorts Ram QB/DB.

PASSING YARDS(GAME)

404 .. Mike Makings, Scottsdale, 197l 403 .. Pick Johnson, PV, 1983

385 .. Rick Savale, Arcadia, 1966 380 .. Bob Pitre, Arcadia, 1975

365 .. Todd Sheridan, Arcadia, 1982

351 .. Fred Mortensen, Tempe, 1971 351 .. Kerry Kersting, Alhambra, 1978

TOUCHDOWN PASSES(SEASON)

24 .. Chris Calcagno, Gerard, 1974 23 .. Greg Hubbell, Central, 1972

23 .. Chris Stanfield, Mesa, 1981

23 .. William Babb, Peoria, 1987

22 .. Bill Mannion, St. Mary's, 1967

22 .. Chris Skelly, St. Mary's, 1974

TOUCHDOWN PASSES(CAREER)

51 .. Kent Kiefer, McClintock, 1983-85(3)

45 .. Tom Baker, St. Mary's, 1969-71

40 .. Bill Mannion, St. Mary's, 1966-68

40 .. Steve Belles, St. Mary's, 1982-84

37 .. Chris Calcagno, Gerard, 1972-74

37 .. William Babb, Peoria, 1985-87

36 .. Horace Griffen, Mesa, 1936-38

36 .. Tom Camptell, Seton, 1967-69

TOUCHDOWN PASSES(GAME)

6 .. Duncan Brown, Mesa, 1924

Charlie Beal, Mesa, 1943

Gary Carpenter, North, 1968

Gilbert Martinez, Chandler, 1958

5 .. Ted Blake, Sunnyslope, 1965

5 .. Pete Harter, Chandler, 1965

.. Randy Holmes, Peoria, 1968 .. Mike Makings, Scottsdale, 1971

Fred Mortensen, Tempe, 1971

.. Shawn Gilbert, Agua Fria, 1982

.. Scooter Molander, CDS, 1982

5 .. Jeff Zygmunt, Deer Valley, 1984 5 .. Chuck Levinus, Cactus, 1984

5 .. Lee Schrack, Tempe, 1988

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN PASS

Doug Stitler to Curt Reimann, Brophy

Prep. 1978

98 .. Ken Butler to Ralph Flores, Sunnyslope,

Al Eliserio to Al Dossie, Phoenix Union, 1976

97 .. Steve Belles to Chris Buford, St. Mary's,

1982 Carey Palmer to Mickey Hatcher, Mesa,

CATCHES(SEASON) 68 .. Chris Baniszewski, McClintock, 1985 66 .. Brant Williams, Independence, 1986

.. Scott McLouth, Gilbert, 1985

61 .. Bryan Snyder, Sunnyslope, 1983(jr) 60 .. Bill Sorcineli, Camelback, 1964

59 .. Travis Ligons, Cactus, 1984

.. Ed Flores, Arcadia, 1976

58 .. Pat Schabel, Westwood, 1984

58 .. Ernie Salar, PV, 1986 (ir)

CATCHES(CAREER)

119 .. Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1973-75 117 .. Cleveland Colter, McClintock, 1983-85

93 .. Travis Ligons, Cactus, 1982-84 92 .. Rich Groppenbacher, McClintock, 1982-84

90 .. Mike Bowling, Agua Fria, 1964-66

CATCHES(GAME)

16 .. Mickey Hatcher, Mesa, 1973 12 .. Brad Anderson, Alhambra, 1978

.. Adam Mesa, Gilbert, 1982 .. Pat Schabel, Westwood, 1984

12 .. Pat Schabel, Westwood, 1984 12 .. Shelby Hill, Central, 1988

11 .. Mark Gonzales, Tempe, 1984

11 .. Dale Lyons, Arcadia, 1974

11 .. Pete Klaass, PV, 1983(jr) 11 .. Andy Teilborg, Sunnyslope, 1984 11 .. Ben Simon, St. Mary's, 1987

RECEIVING YARDS(GAME) 302 .. Pete Klaass, PV, 1983(jr) 296 .. Larry Bandura, Scottsdale, 1971

270 .. Keith Rawls, CDS, 1982 240 .. Shelby Hill, Central, 1988

234 .. Murl Huff, Phoenix Union, 1924

226 .. Larry Bandura, Scottsdale, 1971 225 .. Jim Palmer, Scottsdale, 1962

RECEIVING YARDS(SEASON)

1,226 .. Mickey Hatcher, Mesa, 1973 1,090 .. Larry Bandura, Scottsdale, 1971





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1,090 .. Chris Baniszewski, McClintock, 1985

1,038 .. Rick Molina, Tempe, 1971 1,014 .. Pat Schabel, Westwood, 1984

1,008 .. Pete Klaass, PV, 1983(ir)

RECEIVING YARDS (CAREER) 2,172 .. Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1973-75 1,733 .. Cleveland Colter, McClintock, 1983-85

1,585 .. Rich Groppenbacher, McClintock, 1982-84

1,488 .. Rick Molina, Tempe, 1970-71(2)

1,470 .. Travis Ligons, Cactus, 1982-84 1,404 .. Eric Guliford, Peoria, 1985-87

TD CATCHES(SEASON)

14 .. Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1974(jr) 14 .. Dewey Horton, Gilbert, 1977 13 .. Murl Huff, Phoenix Union, 1924

13 .. Mike Bowling, Agua Fria, 1956 13 .. Rick Molina, Tempe, 1971 13 .. Mike Baker, Gerard, 1974 13 .. James Sosinski, McClintock, 1980

TD CATCHES(CAREER)
29 .. Speedy Hart, St. Mary's, 1973-75
19 .. Dick Harris, Tempe/Westwood, 1968-70
18 .. Jesus Tirado, Marcos de Niza, 1972-74
17 .. Rick Molina, Tempe, 1970-71

TD CATCHES(GAME)

5 .. Dwight Bennett, Glendale, 1966

Murl Huff, Phoenix Union, 1924

Cecil Crouch, Mesa, 1943

Jim Palmer, Scottsdale, 1962

.. Mike Bowling, Agua Fria, 1966 .. Dan White, West, 1967

.. Dick Harris, Westwood, 1969(jr)

4 .. Jesus Tirado, arcos de Niza, 1974

.. Shawn Harris, Tempe, 1988

4 .. Scott Mettham, Chaparral, 1988

AVERAGE YARDS PER CATCH

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37.7 .. Tom White, Saguaro, 1975
35.9 .. Pete Weidner, Tempe, 1984
28.3 .. Randall McDaniel, Agua Fria, 1982
27.8 .. Robert Hailey, Trevor Browne, 1983
26.1 .. Chris Buford, St. Mary's, 1981(jr)
25.1 .. Ruben Gomez, Corona del Sol, 1980

INTERCEPTIONS(SEASON) 15 .. Mike Vere, Bourgade, 1972 14 .. Mickey Bell, Cactus, 1979

.. Andy Źwingle, Peoria, 1979

13 .. Shawn Benson, Mesa, 1981

13 .. Scotty Malm, PC, 1986

12 .. Bill Dipley, Arcadia, 1965(jr) 12 .. Scott Hutson, Mtn. View, 1983

12 .. Rhon McKinney, North, 1986

INTERCEPTIONS(CAREER)

26 .. Phillip Echeverria, Buckeye, 1985-87(3) 20 .. Rhon McKinney, North, 1985-86(2)

19 .. Bill Dipley, Arcadia, 1965-66(2) 17 .. Dick Harris, Tempe/Westwood, 1968-70(3) 17 .. Steve McDowell, Gilbert, 1983-85

INTERCEPTIONS(GAME)

TERCEPTIONS(GAME)

Dick Gwinn, Judson, 1964

Ned Newell, Mesa, 1921

Albert Guthrie, Mesa, 1921

Craig Cardon, Mesa, 1966

Pat Farrell, St. Mary's, 1969

Dick Harris, Westwood, 1970

Mark Oligschlaeger, Bourgade, 1972

Vince Martinez, Tempe, 1981

Vince Martinez, Tempe, 1981 Steve McDowell, Gilbert, 1983

LONGEST RETURN(INTER.)

105 .. T.C. Richmond, Agua Fria, 1985(jr) 103 .. John Heffton, Moon Valley, 1980 102 .. Quincy Fowler, St. Mary's, 1941 102 .. Elby Bushong, Washington, 1961 102 .. Chris Enos, Cortez, 1982

100 .. Benny Garcia, Agua Fria, 1962 100 .. Mike Smith, PC, 1962 100 .. David Given, McClintock, 1975

100 .. Scott Lubow, Shadow Mtn., 1984

100 .. Brian Fair, South Mtn., 1988 (so) 100 .. Jerry Ingram, Independence, 1988

FIELD GOALS(SEASON)

19 .. Mike Cortright, St. Mary's, 1985 13 .. Phil Insalaco, PC, 1984 11 .. Matt McKinney, Saguaro, 1978 11 .. Mike Cortright, St. Mary's, 1984(jr) 11 .. Quin Rodriguez, Dobson, 1985(jr)

FIELD GOALS(CAREER)
36 .. Mike Cortright, St. Mary's, 1983-85
26 .. Quin Rodriguez, Dobson, 1984-86
22 .. Dave Wood, Washington, 1976-79
16 .. Phil Insalaco, PC, 1982-84
15 .. Monte Varah, Saguaro, 1973-75
14 .. Richard Jones, Chaparral, 1981-82

FIELD GOALS(GAME)

4 .. Lawrence Bever, Phoenix Union, 1925 4 .. Phil Insalaco, PC, 1984

LONGEST FIELD GOAL

54 .. Bob Facio, Gerard, 1977 54 .. Chuck Hunzinger, Deer Valley, 1984 54 .. Quin Rodriguez, Dobson, 1986 52 .. Lee Pistor, Central, 1973

52 .. Benny Moreno, North, 1977 52 .. David Ohton, Alhambra, 1977

52 .. Scott Reutter, Moon Valley, 1984(so) 52 .. Steve Rausch, Dobson, 1987

PATS(SEASON)
69 .. Tony Camino, Peoria, 1987
63 .. Frank Coen, McClintock, 1980
60 .. Steve Rausch, Dobson, 1987
58 .. Barry Duncan, Moon Valley, 1982
55 .. Lee Toone, Cactus Shadows, 1988
52 .. Frank Coen, McClintock, 1979(jr)
52 .. Rich Groppenbacher, McClintock, 1983(jr)
52 .. David Smith Marvale, 1986

52 .. David Smith, Maryvale, 1986

CONSECUTIVE PATS

53 .. Tony Camino, Peoria, 1987

39 .. Lee Toone, Cactus Shadows, 1988

34 .. Greg Thibault, Coronado, 1976

PATS(CAREER)

134 .. Rich Groppenbacher, McClintock, 1982-84

115 .. Frank Coen, McClintock, 1979-80 115 .. Tony Camino, Peoria, 1985-87 96 .. Kyle Pooler, Cactus, 1987-active! 88 .. Tony McClure, McClintock, 1976-77 88 .. Barry Duncan, Moon Valley, 1981-82

PATS(GAME) 15 .. Danny White, Westwood, 1969 11 .. Ed Brooks, Phoenix Union, 1914

10 .. Cleveland Colter, McClintock, 1985

LONGEST PUNT

99 .. Walter Williams, Mesa, 1925 (nat'l record)

84 .. John Durso, Arcadia, 1976
80 .. Justus Goebel, Phoenix Union, 1910
77 .. Doug Pasanella, Paradise Valley, 1978
75 .. Oscar Reynolds, St. Mary's, 1939
75 .. Whitzer White, Mesa, 1945(jr)

75 .. Dennis Goettl, Central, 1973

PUNTING AVERAGE47.5 .. Jeff Skousen, Mesa, 1922
47.0 .. Jim McCann, North, 1965
46.0 .. Pat Hawbaker, St. Mary's, 1971
45.9 .. Whizzer White, Mesa, 1945(jr)

LONGEST FUMBLE RECOVERY(TD)

101 .. Ray Elzey, Phoenix Union, 1941

99 .. Sam Houston, St. Mary's, 1944 98 .. Robert Taylor, Carver, 1950

98 .. Harry Trotter, Phoenix Union, 1975

LONGEST PUNT RETURN(TD)

100 .. Larry Royse, Tempe, 1956 100 .. Tom Ribaudo, East, 1967 98 .. Brett Schur, Seton, 1988 97 .. Ron Phifer, Camelback, 1955

LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN (TD)

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100 .. Seth Carr, St. Mary's, 1988

100 .. Donnell Thompson, North, 1988

99 .. Lavell Blackburn, Mesa, 1926

99 .. Alec Austin, Shadow Mountain, 1976

99 .. Major Farris, Carl Hayden, 1976

99 .. Freddy Sanchez, Peoria, 1979

99 .. Tom Peck, McClintock, 1981

99 .. Byron Autry, CDS, 1985

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99 .. Terry Thornton, Westwood, 1986

Steve Hall, Cactus Shadows, 1987 99 .. Andy Davis, Saguaro, 1988



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"It's Great For The Kids..."

That's what high school coaches say about Friday night TV football, which first appeared in 1956.

By Jeff Krier

Call them the Oakland Raiders. Call them the Los Angeles Raiders. Call them whatever. But call them King of Monday Night Football.

Since 1970, when Monday Night Football began, the Raiders have totally dominated the prime-time series, with an incredible 25-5-1 record. That's an .833 winning percentage.

In Phoenix, another football team has dominated the TV market, just like the Raiders. However, it's not a professional team. It's a high school team.

The school is St. Mary's. Since 1982, when ASPN first televised a high school game-of-the-week, the Knights have dominated the tube. Coach Pat Farrell's teams are 16-2-0 on TV, an .889 winning mark. That includes a live telecast of the 1985 AAA title game from Sun Devil Stadium. The Knights beat Glendale Apollo, 11-7.



George Allen, Doug Gerlach and Dorls Hitz prepare for 1987 telecast at Mesa Dobson High. Above, cameraman Dave Howard picks up the action.

Few of the ASPN Friday Night games are live. Most are tape-delayed later in the week. But it didn't used to be that way. High school football on TV is nothing new to the Phoenix market.

Ironically, St. Mary's appeared in the first-ever TV game, Oct. 13, 1956, at Phoenix Union's Montgomery Stadium. It was Saturday night. It was produced by KPHO-TV, Channel 5. Young Art Brock did the play-by-play.

"One of the first things I did when I got to Phoenix was try and get high school football on TV," said Brock recently from his home in north Phoenix. "We wanted it live. But the Phoenix Union School District wanted too much money for a rights fee. They said it would hurt attendance.

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"So we went to St. Mary's. They were a private school. They were downtown

and played home games at Montgomery Stadium. That was the biggest high school stadium I ever saw. It was like a college stadium. They weren't any good in football. But they didn't charge us to do their games."

On that October night, North High and St. Mary's shook off first half stage fright in the Valley's first TV game, but the Mustangs came back stronger to win, 19-6. Lloyd Aycock's 22-yard half-back pass to Steve Vaughn was the clincher for North.

But to do this, KPHO bleeped out four popular shows: City Detective, Public Defender, Highway Patrol and Death Valley Days, hosted by Ronald Reagan. Five weeks later, Channel 5 and St. Mary's hooked up again, on Thanksgiving Day. Jerry Eaton covered preps for The Arizona Republic. His review of the game was simple: "West High scored almost at will in demolising St. Mary's 54-13, before 4,000 fans who watched the Thanksgiving Day contest in near perfect football weather."

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Kickoff was at 1:45. Ironically, it followed a 10:00 a.m. NFL game between Green Bay and Detroit, shown on Channel 10. Local fans could then switch to "5" for the high school contest.

"As I remember, we got a few complaints from viewers who wanted to see Highway Patrol, or whatever was usually scheduled," says Brock. "But the biggest complaints came from high school fans of the Phoenix schools. Their teams were better and they weren't on TV."

Nobody was on TV for five years. Then Brock and Channel 5 struck again. This time it lasted for six years. The KPHO-TV "Game of the Week" officially aired on Sept. 21, 1962. Brock did the play-by-play. Tom Sherlock joined him in the booth.

"We finally worked out a deal with the Phoenix schools," claims Brock. "The station manager backed us. We got any sponsor we could. We paid a very minimum fee to the district. The host team was always a Phoenix school. We did nine games in 1962. All games started at 8:00.

"I can't remember why we did that," continues Brock. "Schools like Arcadia, Scottsdale or Mesa had better facilities, better press boxes and better lighting.

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"Jim Dobkins was covering the game for the paper (Republic)," remembers Brock. "He wrote that the game was played before the largest audience ever to view a high school game in Arizona—the first Arizona prep game to be televised—but that was wrong. We did them before that."

Brock did play-by-play for one more year. He was forced out of the picture in 1964, when he ran for governor. Like any big game, Brock remembers his last. It was cancelled.

"Late in November, Arcadia was scheduled to play Camelback," he recalls. "Arcadia was really good in those days. It would have been a great TV game. But President Kennedy was shot on Thursday. Every high school game in the state was cancelled. So was the ASU-Idaho game."

With Brock running for governor, Johnny Green was behind the mike in 1964. Camelback, coached by Don Baker, won both their TV games and went all the way to the state finals. In 1965, Ray Odom handled the play-by-play. He was joined in the booth by Bill

Hall. Their first game was at Camelback, where Arcadia quarterback George Mattingly, and flanker Bill Dipley, riddled the Phoenix school.

"In those days we had a make-shift press box, our own table and no roof," recalls Odum, who today lives in San Mateo, California. "I'd been in the business for some time and really enjoyed it. But for the high schools we had only three cameras. One on the 30-yard-line, one on the 50 and one next to us in the box.

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"It's hard to remember any certain game or play. I do recall that Arcadia gave the Phoenix schools fits because they had such great quarterbacks. And once, before a game, I was down on the field talking to a coach. Two receivers, from opposite teams, looking over their shoulders, ran head-on during the warm-up. It was terrible."

In 1966, a Phoenix Union game with Central was the first to have instant replay. First National Bank and Burger Chef sponsored the 10-game schedule. In 1967, after the third week, games were selected weekly, based on standings and the brand of football displayed by teams.

Mesa's Raiph Brinkerhoff runs from South Mountain defenders in first KPHO-TV game of 1962.









L-R: Young Art Brock was behind the mike until he ran for governor in 1964; an even younger Ladmo was a KPHO cameraman; the ASPN crew has included KTAR sports ace Greg Schulte.

The King of KPHO-TV was Camelback. The Spartans won more games than any Phoenix area school, going 9-5-0 between 1962-67. Two of their losses were to Scottsdale Arcadia. North High and West (now closed) each won seven

"Why did it end? It probably cost too much money," says Odom years later. He had worked that final game for Channel 5, a November, 1967 contest between East and Central. "They probably couldn't sell enough commercials. It's been so long."

High school football vanished from the tube for more than a decade. Then came cable TV, and a former sportscaster from KTAR Radio, George Allen.

Since 1982, ASPN has telecast 68 high school games. Two junior college games,

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a 19-0 Imperial Valley win over Glendale, and a 31-6 Mesa triumph over Scottsdale, were also shown, both in 1982.

"Originally, we wanted our first game to be between McClintock and Maryvale," says Allen, who had spent seven years at KTAR before joining American Cable in 1981. "But our crew came back during the week and said there was no press box.

"Barry Sollenberger suggested that we contact Catholic schools like Brophy, Gerard or St. Mary's," continues Allen. "They didn't ask for any rights fees. They treated us great, too. Our first three TV games were St. Mary's, Gerard and Brophy home games. At Gerard, we backed a pickup truck up to the field. We couldn't see over the Gerard players, so the next time we climbed up a scaffolding. It was an adventure."

In 1983, Allen and Gary Garcia went to each school during the week. They interviewed the principal for the half-time show and photographed each campus. "It was too hot to keep doing that," says Allen. "But the schools were great. We air most of our games from the East Valley. The stadiums are better. The Coronado High School principal has sent us a press pass every year since. Everybody has made us feel right at home."

Down through the years, Doug Gerlach, Greg Schulte, Gary Rausch and Vai Sikahema have joined Allen in the booth.

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"The first couple of Chandler-Mesa games were outstanding," recalls Gerlach, who started in '82 part-time, but now is seen each week. "I remember an '86 game at Mountain View that we called off because of rain. Then it stopped at 6:30 and they played the game without us.

"We have had great cooperation from most coaches," adds Gerlach, who has to interview each winner after the game. "They seem uptight before the games, but more relaxed after. As far as great individual performances, there has been many. But I remember John Walker, the Marcos de Niza quarterback, having an all-world night against Tempe once. In our opener in 1987, Mark Brown of Moon Valley ran all over McClintock. Those two games stand out."

To this day Allen insists that the bestever single performance on TV came during a Friday night game in 1985, between Mountain View and McClintock. McClintock, the host team, was nationally ranked (USA Today), but Mountain View linebacker Bob Davis spoiled the week. He intercepted a pass, recovered a fumble, sacked quarterback

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Kent Kiefer five times, made 10 solo tackles and caught 10 passes—one for a touchdown. He stole a ball from Kiefer and raced 82 yards for a touchdown in the fourth quarter.

"For every great game you have a bad one," smiles Allen. "That's the nature of the business. Once, McClintock was leading Westwood, 51-7 at the half. They went on to win, 75-34. Gary Garcia kept yelling in my ear from the production truck: "Who the hell picked this game?"

"In 1985, St. Mary's was at Deer Valley, and we took the camera into the lockers at half. Somebody in the truck had wired the audio wrong and the whole show came over the public address system. It was ridiculous," laughs Allen, remembering all too well the bad with the good. "But we usually have it a lot better than the camera crew. They have to get there so early to get set up. Once, at Horizon High School, the press box roof had a rollback top. It scared the hell of of our camera crew. If they stepped back too far, they'd drop off the top of the press box."

Today, over 60 high schools in Maricopa County play football. Since 1956, exactly 36 have appeared on KPHO or ASPN. Lake Havasu is the only school outside the county to appear on local TV. Eight different schools have yet to win a televised game. And the TV set hasn't been kind to Deer Valley (0-6-0) or Brophy Prep (0-4-0) at all.

"Having high school football on TV has been super," says St. Mary's Pat Farrell. Since 1956, the Knights' overall record on the tube is 18-4-0. "It's a thrill for the kids to see themselves. It is really well done.

"Except for the poor calls by our staff, it doesn't look like a high school production," laughs Farrell. "It looks like a college production. It's a great, positive addition to the sport at a time when society is a little critical of it."

"There is first class and no class," adds Mike Clark, head coach at Mesa Dobson. "The ASPN games are first class. It looks like a college production. Allen is a professional. He studies the teams before he arrives. He'll call us during the week. It's great for the kids and great for high school football."



Since 1956, players like Steve Belies have helped keep St. Mary's on top in the TV ratings.

KPHO/ASPN-TV Log					
School	Games	Won	Lost	Tied	%
St. Mary's	22	18	4	0	.818
Camelback	16	10	6	0	.625
McClintock	16	10	6	0	.625
Mountain View	13	7	6	0	.540
Mesa	14	7	7	0	.500
North	14	7	7	0	.500
West	16	7	8	1	.467
Phoenix Union	12	6	5	1	.490
South	12	6	6	ó	.500
Central	12	6	6	ő	.500
Carl Hayden	10	5	5	ŏ	.500
Maryvale	6	4	1	1	.800
Chandler	11	4	7	0	.364
Moon Valley	6	4	2	0	.667
Westwood	8	4	4	0	.500
Dobson	6	3	3	0	.555
Tempe	7	2	5	Ŏ	.285
Trevor Browne	3	2	ĭ	ŏ	.667
Arcadia	2	2	Ö	ō	1.000
Alhambra	10	2	7	1	.220
Gilbert	11	ō	ó	i	.000
Peoria	11	õ	ő	i	.000
East	2	1	1	ò	.500
Saguaro	2	i	i .	ŏ	.500
Coronado	2	i	i	ő	.500
Gerard	2	i	1	ő	.500
Shadow Mountain	2	i	Ì	ő	.500
Corona del Sol	3	i	2	ő	.333
Marcos de Niza	4	1	3	ő	.250
Deer Valley	6	0	6	0	.000
Brophy Prep	4	O	4	Ö	.000
Sunnyslope	1	ō	1	Ö	.000
Apollo	3	ő	3	Ö	.000
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Kickoff return in the Class AAAA playoffs: Micky Reeves is gone!

KING OF THE COYOTES

The Land of Enchantment, once ruled by Cavemen, Bulldogs and Wildcats, now has a Coyote as King, thanks to Coach James Bradley and prep All-American Micky Reeves.

Timmy Smith was on top of the world. He had just rushed for 204 yards against Denver in the Super Bowl. Less than one year out of Texas Tech, most NFL fans had never heard of him.

He was sitting next to David Letterman. It was the real, live Late Night With David Letterman show. Smith was the hit of the night. Then came the all too familiar question:

"Where you from, Timmy?" asks Letterman.

"Hobbs, New Mexico," answers Smith.
"Where?"

"Hobbs. It's a basketball town."

"Never heard of it," replied Letterman. Sometimes, it's not that difficult. For Jim Everett, quarterback of the Los Angeles Rams, it's an easier answer: "I'm from Albuquerque," says the Purdue grad when so asked.

Although nobody can spell it, even people who can't find New Mexico on a map have heard of Albuquerque. Such is life in the Land of Enchantment, where the recent dismal performance on the football field at New Mexico State and the University of New Mexico has given the state a bad rap.

Long before the likes of Smith or Eve-

rett made their mark in the NFL, the Land of Enchantment produced more than its share of sensational schoolboy stars, teams and coaches.

Before Smith or Everett were born, living legends like Tommy McDonald were terrorizing foes of Albuquerque Highland High and the University of Oklahoma. In 1960, four different grads from Carlsbad High were starting on pro football teams. Today, several different New Mexico natives are wearing Super Bowl rings.

Like nearby Texas, New Mexico has had its share of coaching mortals: Clovis' Rock Staubus and Eric Roanhaus, Albuquerque's F.M. Wilson, Hobbs' Duane Fisher, Deming's Rusty Hofacket, Carlsbad's Ralph Bowyer, Artesia's L.G. Henderson and Highland's Bill Gentry, to name a few.

"If New Mexico was part of Texas, every college recruiter in the country would visit the place."

"If New Mexico was part of Texas, every college recruiter in the country would visit the place," insists Dick (Moon) Mullins, former sports information director at Arizona State University. "But because it's so small, very few coaches scout the place. That's a mistake. Most of the great kids leave the state, however. So I guess somebody sees them play."

There are less than two-million people in the entire state. It is doubtful that any region of the country with a similar population can rival New Mexico's schoolboy sports tradition. In any sport. Based on *population*, New Mexico joins Kansas and Arizona as the nation's best high school track & field states. Few public schools in America can match Hobbs' basketball success. The list goes on. However, no matter what the population is, professional scouts insist that baseball is weak in the Land of Enchantment. Very few New Mexico schoolboy products make it to the majors.

"The size of your state has nothing to do with the caliber of your teams," insists Jerry Taylor, a Phoenix real estate investor and former high school coach in both Texas and New Mexico. "New Mexico has a lot of schools with great programs and facilities. Especially in the east. All those schools play the Texas schools next door. In my opinion, high school sports in that part of the country is much better organized than here. In every sport. Especially track & field."

Caveman Kingdom

When Ralph Bowyer returned to Carlsbad in October, for the dedication of the renamed Ralph Bowyer Cavemen Stadium, he brought back memories of the 13 state championships he left behind.

Bowyer-coached football teams won eight state titles during his 23 years as head coach, but only the old-timers in Carlsbad recall that he was a big winner in two other sports: basketball & track.

Under Bowyer's tutelage, the Cavemen won three state basketball championships. His 18-year record as roundball coach was 363-135, including six other seasons in which Carlsbad qualified for the state tournament. His teams were famous for their full-court press, a weapon used today by their bitter rival to the east, Hobbs. In addition, two of his track teams won New Mexico state crowns.

His "grand slam" year of 1946-47, when Carlsbad won state titles in all three major sports following World War II, may never again be duplicated by any big-school coach, anywhere.

But Bowyer remains best known for the success he brought Carlsbad in football. His overall record for 23 seasons was 162-69-8. During that era, he produced as many all-state players, prep All-Americans, and pro football stars as any coach in the country. His eight state championship teams (1945-46-50-51-56-58-61-62) had a combined record of 78-6-2. His teams had winning records against Texas schools. In 1960, four Cavemen grads were playing on pro teams.

Ceremonies dedicating the 10,000seat stadium were set at halftime of the Carlsbad-Hobbs game, which the Cavemen appropriately won, 39-0. "Yelling wasn't his style," said Bill High of Albuquerque, a center on Carlsbad Current-Argus)



Carisbad legend Raiph Bowyer

Bowyer's first team in 1943. "He never did that. He had a way of getting his point across that was very subtle. I have great memories of playing for him."

"It's amazing how he remembers things from years ago," said Carlsbad Mayor Bobby Forrest, another former player. "He was telling all the little details about things that happened 30 or 40 years ago. His memory is so sharp. He's a great man. He touched a lot of our lives."

"I thought it was great," said Bowyer, recently inducted into the University of New Mexico Hall of Honor. "I never expected anything like this. And having all the people here for the game, and at the luncheon, it's great. I couldn't be enjoying myself more."

Last December, Roswell defeated district rival Clovis, 14-3 in the Class AAAA championship football game. Coached by James Bradley, it was the Coyotes second consecutive crown and their 5th appearance in the finals in six years. In 1971, Bradley led Las Cruces Mayfield to the state championship, a 24-20 win

over Albuquerque West Mesa and their sensational junior tailback, Ray Barrs. Bradley's prize pupil that day was quarterback Bill Hamilton, later a star linebacker at the University of Texas. Bradley later coached at New Mexico State.

With the 1988 championship decided, the real battle got under way as colleges



Hobb's Timmy Smith gets a hug after rushing for 312 yards and 5 touchdowns against Lubbock Montery on Texas soil; right, Smith shoots over Lawton High defender during 152-46 rout of Oklahoma visitors in 1982 Hobbs Holiday Tournament.

throughout the country tried to lure Roswell's Micky Reeves, and other local football stars.

Reeves was so versatile and so valuable to Roswell's game plan, that Bradley often used him at wide receiver on one play, and at quarterback the next. During a four-year varsity career, Reeves, who changed his first name from Mickey to Micky last summer, rushed 308 times for 2,723 yards and 40 touchdowns. As a receiver he caught 111 passes for 2,571 yards and 33 scores. He returned kickoffs for 619 yards and three touchdowns; punts for 635 yards and three scores. He

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scored 79 touchdowns and 583 points —222 as a junior. On defense he intercepted 26 passes. He averaged 40.1 yards per punt as a sophomore. A typical big day? Booting a game-winning 25-yard field goal in a 24-21 overtime win against undefeated Las Cruces, while rushing for 201 yards and two touchdowns (99 kickoff return, 69 pass reception) in the Class AAAA semifinals.

He never left the field.

Coach Eric Roanhaus, who led Clovis teams against Everett when he was at Albuquerque Eldorado and Smith when he was at Hobbs, says Reeves is the best player he's seen. "He's a lot harder to defend than Everett or Smith. He's so multi-dimensional. He plays the secondary, returns punts and kickoffs, plays running back, quarterback and split end. All I can say is thank God he can't play them all at once."

Then came doomsday for New Mexico college fans and coaches. It's called national letter of intent day. The state's hottest defensive prospect, Clovis' Ricky Wren, a 6-2, 255-pound nose guard, signs with Oklahoma. The night before letter of intent day, Reeves makes his choice public. Arizona State University.

"They were pretty much in front all the time," Reeves told the *Arizona Republic*. "I liked everything about the school, the facilities, the coaches and the players."

New Mexico coach Mike Sheppard and New Mexico State's Mike Knoll both praised their recruiting classes, but admitted that some of the state's best players again had opted to leave the state, including Reeves, Wren, and Las Cruces High receiver Charles Hamilton.

"I think all three of those kids could have been excellent players for us, but I guess they chose programs that have "I think all three of those kids could have been excellent players for us, but I guess they chose programs that have greater winning traditions."

greater winning traditions," Sheppard said.

New Mexico has posted one winning season in the past decade, while the Aggies havn't had a winning season since 1978. "Any time you recruit, you're going to receive your share of nos," adds Knoll. "One of our goals is to keep the best student athletes in New Mexico. I think as we improve the program and they realize this, they'll stay at home."

The loss of Reeves was a real blow. Arizona State landed more than just a football player. They landed an athlete. The 6-3, 190-pounder has run 40 yards in 4.46 seconds (hand timed), 100 meters in 10.6 seconds (as a soph), and high jumped 6-feet, 6-inches as a junior. He pitched and played shortstop on the Covotes' baseball team. His fastball has been clocked at 90 m.p.h. He played one full season (as a soph) on the varsity basketball team. With Reeves in the lineup in 1986-87, Roswell advanced to the AAAA finals in Albuquerque, but rival Hobbs beat them, 95-83. He scored 16 points.

Unlike most states, New Mexico has only one metropolitan city. Albuquerque. Las Cruces, Santa Fe and Roswell have no more than three high schools. The rest of the state is "Small Town U.S.A."

Except for the Albuquerque Dukes' AAA baseball club, there are no professional teams in the state. Like much of nearby Texas, high school sports is "the only game in town."

Teenagers become living legends. Such was the case with little Tommy McDonald, the All-American Hornet from Albuquerque Highland, the University of Oklahoma and the 1960 NFL champion Philadelphia Eagles.

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"For sheer satisfaction and joy, nothing can compare with high school stardom," wrote McDonald in his autobiography, *They Pay Me to Catch Footballs.* "High school student bodies are more intimate with their heroes, and the teenage fan displays an exuberance that is hard to duplicate elsewhere."

In New Mexico, there are three historic football programs which would make any state proud: Carlsbad's powerhouse teams under Ralph Bowyer, Artesia's dynasty under L.G. Henderson and Mike Phipps, and the current Clovis steamroller, built by Dunny Goode and Eric Roanhaus.

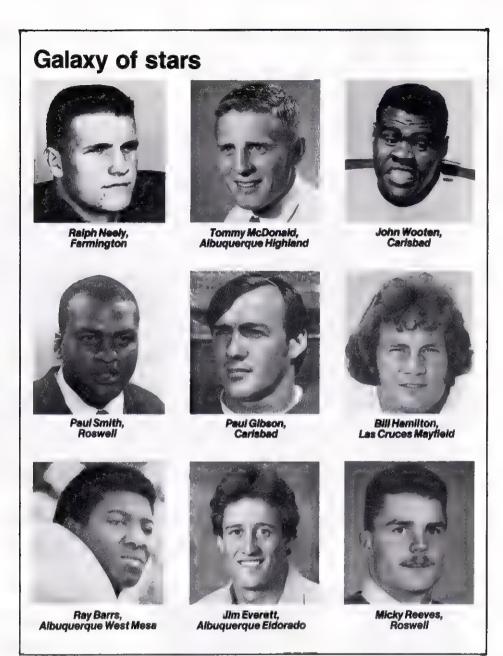
Excluding Artesia's Bulldog Bowl, the best high school football plant in the state is Hobbs' 16,000-seat Watson Memorial Stadium. "You ought to see the great facilities and programs at schools in the Houston area," says Rex Norris, a former assistant at both Oklahoma and Arizona State. "Texas has the best I've seen. But Hobbs is right there with them. You can't tell the difference."

But biggest is not always best. Hobbs, population 30,000, has seen its local football team win only three games in the past four years. It's a far cry from 1981, when the Eagles finished 11-3 after losing to Clovis, 27-7 in the AAAA title game. Better yet, Hobbs was 6-0 against Texas clubs, including a 42-28 win over Odessa. During a 44-14 victory over Lubbock Monterey, tailback Timmy Smith (see photos) rushed for 312 yards on 19 carries and scored five touchdowns.

"Clovis is the only city in America where the word history always is in the present, never in the past," wrote Phill Casaus of the *Albuquerque Journal* in December. "If tradition was followed, the trophies from Clovis' five most recent state championships were placed upon a table in the middle of the locker room like fine, irreplacable dinner china.

"The message, of course, is clear to any Wildcat who enters the place Saturday morning before the Class AAAA state championship game. This is Clovis. This is the day. Unlike other places, where talent primes a pump that can often go dry, Clovis football is a marriage of past and present, producing success-oriented children who won't take no for an answer."

Between 1981-85, Clovis won five consecutive state championships. Even the great Artesia teams, coached by legendary L.G. Henerson, didn't do that. And Clovis did it without a blue-chip college prospect in the lineup. Under head coach Eric Roanhaus, the 1985 national coach of the year, the Wildcats identify Public Enemy No. 1 before the games begin. In the '81 final, Clovis literally



knocked Timmy Smith—later a Super Bowl hero—out of the game in a 27-7 thrashing of Hobbs. Ditto Roswell's Jimmy Miller in the '83 title game on national cable TV.

And so forth ...

"There are other schools and programs that sport mighty athletic traditions in New Mexico," adds Casaus.

"Other states have more bluechippers than we do because they have more people than we do. It's a numbers game."

"Roswell has come across its own vein of victory in football. Hobbs basketball is monolithic. Tiny Animas has won 50 straight football games, five straight Class AA titles and made the cover of *USA Today*. Still, you can go down the

line is this state, from Aztec to Zuni, and never find anything approaching Clovis' chemistry."

Bill Gentry, the winningest football coach ever in New Mexico, has changed sidelines. After 31 years at Albuquerque Highland, the 62-year-old Gentry will become the next coach at Eldorado High.

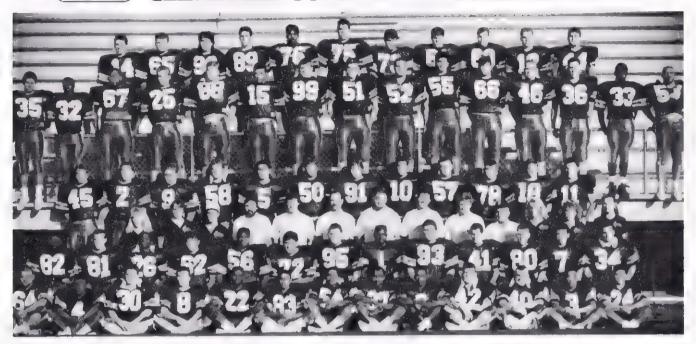
"You know the old saying, 'Go west, young man?' "Gentry asked. "This is going east for me. But the idea is the same. It's a change I look forward to. I had considered transferring to a different location the past few years. But this is a good time for me to move on."

Since 1958, Gentry led Highland to a 245-82-9 record, three state titles and numerous playoff appearances. No high school coach in the history of the 4-corner states (Arizona, Colorado, Utah,



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Only a depressed oil economy slowed down Artesia's football express. But during better days, coaches like Mike Phipps (above) had the Bulldogs' wishbone rolling in high gear.

New Mexico) has won as many games as Gentry. His Hornets advanced to the semifinals of the state playoffs last fall, but lost to Clovis, 17-14. He last won a state championship in 1986.

"He's been a fixture at Highland for more than 30 years," said Jim Wilson, the school's athletic director. "It's definitely going to have an impact on the continuity of the program. A lot of people will miss him here."

Ironically, the Eldorado position became vacant when Jerry Hall was fired following an 0-10 season. As recent as 1979-80, Hall, with Jim Everett calling signals, guided the Eagles to back-to-back title game appearances. They beat Clovis in the '80 final, 14-11.

Hall himself had good schooling. He played high school ball for the legendary Al Woolard at Lawrence, Kansas. "Nothing I've seen nor heard convinces me that New Mexico high school athletes aren't comparable in quality to athletes across the nation," said Hall prior to the 1981 season at Eldorado. "Other states have more blue-chippers than we do because they have more people than we do. It's a numbers game."

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The East Valley's High School Sports Connection

Is Glendale Building A National Power?

By Bart Conley

On August 7th, coach Joe Kersting's Gauchos will report to camp. The task at hand—defend an NJCAA football title. That's a turnaround of gigantic proportions.

When Kersting took over at **GLEN-DALE** in 1987, he inherited a team that had won just once the year before. Less than two years later the Gauchos were 10-0 and ranked No. 1 in the country.

"It was a real dream season," said Kersting after beating Michigan power Grand Rapids, 15-2, in the Valley of the Sun Bowl. "We got a tremendous commitment out of our athletes and staff."

Unlike last year, Glendale will lack experience on both sides of the ball.

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But several quality players and another great recruiting class have joined the program. "We work very hard at recruiting," adds Kersting. "Two years ago we recruited four guys (Phillippi Sparks, Conrad Swanson, Dennis McCabe, Brian Webb) who became All-Americans for us."

Although many Gauchos (19) graduated to 4-year schools, almost half the roster returns. Quarterback William Babb (6-1, 180) is a key. In the past three years, Babb has started for two state championship teams (Peoria High) and an NJCAA title club. Cornerback Muhammad Oliver (5-11, 170) runs 40 yards in 4.6 seconds and com-



Glendale CC coach Joe Kersting makes a point.

petes in the decathlon in the spring. Linebacker Kevin Cary (6-2, 235) might be the Gauchos' best prospect. He can also play tight end. Another Peoria product, running back Travis Cutright (6-0, 200), could be the "sleeper" in the league. Nose guard Paul Sovacki (6-2, 245) is still growing.

One lethal weapon is place kicker Charles Hrabowy (5-9, 165), the Gauchos' first team all-league kicker. "He did all our kicking and punting," says the head coach about the former Tolleson product. "He'll be an asset for any team."

While size and experience resides in the sophomore class, Glendale's incoming frosh class has lots of talent and speed: RB Derrick Ray (5-9, 165) from Cactus, DB/RB Mark Brown (6-0, 190), LB Bob Green (5-10, 230) and LB Mike Hungerford (6-2, 240) from Moon Valley, RB/WR Anthony Carter (5-10, 185) of South Mountain, LB Casey Cernak (6-1, 225) from Peoria, QB Donny Simmons (6-1, 180) from Phoenix Washington, and Shadow Mountain products Rick Verbalaitis (6-3, 220) and Mike Swayda (6-3, 225), a tight end and line-backer deluxe.

Compared to last year, Pat Lavin paints a better picture at **PHOENIX COLLEGE.** "We should have a good season," insists Lavin, 8-10-1 in the JC ranks, 2-7 last year. "We only had nine

sophomores on our club. We lost an entire recruiting class two years ago."

Twenty-eight squad members return. About one dozen deserve mention: PK Brad Donahue (5-9, 175) has booted 50 yard field goals, in both college and state championship high school games; QB Mike McMahon (6-1, 195) will be the Bears' starter; DB Jeff Davis (6-0, 200) is a great hitter; DB Mickey Kindred (6-1, 180) picked off 5 passes; RB Christian Barten (6-0, 195) has 4.4 speed; DB Travis Mowry (5-9, 170) stole 6 enemy passes: LB Dennis Holland (6-2, 225) is a blue-chipper; center Scott Jordan (6-0, 295) is the strongest Bear; OT Marvin Demry (6-3, 265) was a starter; so was OG Tyrone Gibson (6-2, 265); TE Mark McKenzie (6-4, 240) might be the best in the league; WR Ben Simon (6-0, 170) is one of the quickest.

After seven years as a volunteer assistant under three bosses, Jim Ewan was named head coach at **MESA**. He succeeds Ken Stites, who guided the program for two years before resigning in November. The last time Evan was a head coach was in 1979-80, at Santa Cruz High in Eloy. His two teams went 12-1 (state champs) and 10-2.

"I enjoyed being a head coach when I was at Santa Cruz," Ewan told the *Arizona Republic*. "I wanted to be a head coach again. We have a good football team coming back. We'll be very similar

to what we were like under Stites. We're starting with a good foundation."

Last year, Mesa (6-3) was the first Arizona school to beat Snow at Ephraim, since the formation of the Western States Football League in 1985. The Thunderbirds prevailed in Utah, 21-13. They play Snow in Mesa this fall, but must face Dixie, Scottsdale, Eastern Arizona and Ricks on the road. They open their season Sept. 9 in San Diego, against always tough Grossmont.

Mesa will be tough defensively. Their linebackers are murder: Darrius Griffith (6-0, 220) and Brent Hatfield (6-0, 220). All-league lineman Kevin Nicoll (6-4, 222) is a team leader. The kicking game looks sound with punter Chad White and place kicker Brad Whaley.

On offense, Mesa will have depth at QB with Trevor Cavanaugh (6-1, 185) and Chad White returning. At running back the T'Birds are thin in depth but high in quality. T.C. Wright (5-9, 185) and Robby Clemons (5-8, 175) are as good as any two runners in the WSFL.

SCOTTSDALE, coached by Shane Bates, was real young last fall and it showed: 3-6-0. But if the defensive line gets beefed up, the Artichokes should improve. Batting .500 in the league is possible.

JC blue-chippers:

Bates has two exceptional players in halfback Stan Berryhill (5-11, 180), a 4.4 burner from Tucson Cholla, and big Mark Repasky (6-4, 265), a defensive lienman from Tempe McClintock. Both are sophomores.

Other top-notch 4-year prospects include CB Carlton Harper (5-10, 175), kicker Josh Miller (6-3, 200), LB Dan Panitz (6-2, 230), NG Ron Schraml (6-2, 265), SS Steve Senat (5-10, 198), RB

Dennis Sterling (5-9, 165) and OL Brian Thomas (6-3, 255).

Bates and his staff speak highly of frosh recruits like QB Troy Hudako (6-1, 170) and OT Tyrone Chavez (6-4, 235) from Phoenix Brophy Prep. But the starting signal caller could become soph Trent Thompson (6-1, 205), a transfer from Arizona Western. Thompson once scored 8 touchdowns in a single high school game.



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- The first official Arizona State University athletic support group:
 - a) Tempe Touchdown Club
 - b) Sun Angel Foundation
 - c) Bulldog Chain Gang
 - d) Phoenix Sun Dogs
 - e) Sun Devil Club
- 2 Close to a million kids play high school football each year. Just over 40,000 make NCAA varsity teams. How many of those make NFL teams?
 - a) 25
 - b) 50
 - c) 150
 - d) 400
 - e) 450
- This state has the most high schools:
 - a) Illinois
 - b) California
 - c) Texas
 - d) Pennsylvania
 - e) Florida
- 4 The Sun Devils have not played in this bowl game:
 - a) Citrus Bowl
 - b) Sun Bowl
 - c) Freedom Bowl
 - d) Peach Bowl
 - e) Salad Bowl
- 5 In 1967, this local schoolboy star became Mesa Community College's first quarterback:
 - a) Danny White/Westwood
 - b) Kenny Johnson/Arcadia
 - c) Terry Brenner/Coronado
 - d) Dave Grangaard/Camelback
 - e) George Mattingly/Arcadia
- 6 When Arizona State played Michigan in the 1987 Rose Bowl, NBC announcers Dick Enberg and Merlin Olsen highlighted this former movie star and Rose Bowl hero:
 - a) Johnny Mack Brown
 - b) Tom Mix
 - c) Buck Jones
 - d) Rex Allen
 - e) Allan "Rocky" Lane



- As ASU beats Nebraska in Fiesta Bowl V, these three Sun Devils (above) celebrate. Left to right, who are they? Two are deceased.
- This historic Arizona high school has won more football games (477) than any school in state history:
 - a) Globe
 - b) Miami
 - c) Tucson
 - d) Phoenix Union
 - e) Mesa
- 9 In 1971, this former cowboy movie star was the master of ceremonies at the first Fiesta Bowl game, between ASU and Florida State:
 - a) Johnny Mack Brown
 - b) Tom Mix
 - c) Buck Jones
 - d) Rex Allen
 - e) Allan "Rocky" Lane
- 10 In 1924, Phoenix Union beat this Texas high school before 20,000 fans, the largest crowd to see a regular-season game in state history—to this day:
 - a) Port Arthur
 - b) Abilene
 - c) Midland
 - d) El Paso
 - e) Amarillo

- 11 Arizona State's first bowl game appearance:
 - a) 1971 Fiesta Bowl
 - b) 1970 Peach Bowl
 - c) 1940 Sun Bowl
 - d) 1950 Salad Bowl
- 12 The only Arizona high school to win state championships in 4 of the 5 different classes, including 8-man football:
 - a) Peoria
 - b) Gilbert
 - c) Phoenix Union
 - d) Flagstaff
 - e) Chandler
- 13 Only one of these Phoenix high schools is still open:
 - a) Phoenix Tech
 - b) Phoenix Union
 - c) Phoenix Carver
 - d) Phoenix West
 - e) Phoenix East
 - f) Phoenix North
- 1 4 Based on population, this state sends the most high school graduates into the NFL:
 - a) Oregon
 - b) Louisiana
 - c) Kansas
 - d) Hawaii

15 Match these famous American high schools with their mascots:

SCHOOLS:

- a) Brockton, Ma.
- b) Little Rock Central
- c) Phoenix Union
- d) Long Beach Poly
- e) Boys Town, Neb.
- f) San Diego High
- g) Miami Senior, Fl.
- h) Chicago Lane Tech
- i) Albuquerque Highland
- i) Atlanta Boys
- k) Pine Bluff, Ark.
- l) Abilene, Tx.
- m) Sioux Falls Washington
- n) Massillon, Ohio
- o) Mesa, Az.
- p) Montgomery Sidney Lanier, Al.
- q) Lawrence, Ks.
- r) Bakersfield, Ca.
- s) Colorado Springs
- t) Tucson High
- u) Laramie Senior

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Boxers, Tigers, Coyotes, Jackrabbits, Cowboys, Hilltoppers, Stingrays, Indians, Hornets, Purple Pounders, Zebras, Eagles, Warriors, Tigers, Jackrabbits, Poets, Chesty Lion, Drillers, Terrors, Badgers, Plainsmen

- 16 This Arizona high school once lost a state-record 48 games in a row:
 - a) Paradise Valley
 - b) Prescott
 - c) Phoenix Carl Hayden
 - d) Yuma Union
 - e) Phoenix Central
- This former World Series star set an Arizona prep record with 1,226 receiving yards in 1973. His record was broken last year by Tucson Santa Rita's Eric Drage:
 - a) Billy Hatcher/Williams
 - b) Jim Palmer/Scottsdale
 - c) Mickey Hatcher/Mesa
 - d) Duffy Dyer/Cortez
 - e) Ozzie Virgil/Moon Valley
- 18 This Phoenix metropolitan school, with 91 wins, is currently the winningest football program in the area during the decade of the '80s.
 - a) St. Mary's
 - b) Mountain View
 - c) Moon Valley
 - d) Trevor Browne
 - e) Agua Fria
- 19 In 1962, this TV station was the first to televise high school football in Phoenix on a regular basis:
 - a) ASPN
 - b) KPNX (Channel 12)
 - c) KTSP (Channel 10)
 - d) KPHO (Channel 5)
 - e) KTVK (Channel 3)

- 20 This high school has now won more state championships (200) in team sports than any school in the nation:
 - a) Tucson, Arizona
 - b) Honolulu Punahou
 - c) Little Rock Central
 - d) Phoenix Union
 - e) Kansas City Wyandotte

ANSWERS:

ANSWERS: 1) Bulldog Chain Cang; 2) 150; 3) Texas, 1,138; 4) Citrus Bowl; 5) Terry Brenner; 6) Johnny Mack Brown; 7) L-R, Larry Cordon (deceased), Freddie Williams, Ainslie Washington (deceased); 8) Mesa; 9) Rex Allen; 10) El Paso High; 11) 8) Mesa; 9) Rex Allen; 10) El Paso High; 11) 4940 Sun Bowl; 12) Cilbert; 13) Morth; 14) each Mascot; 16) Yuma; 17) Mickey each Mascot; 16) Yuma; 17) Mickey Hatcher; 18) St. Mary's; 19) KPHO-5; 20) Honolulu Punahou; 21) Phoenix Union's Sam Winningham.

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Name this famous Phoenix metropolitan football coach, shown here taping halfback Joe Caccavale, before 1957 game with Tucson High.

QUEEN FOR A YEAR



Patricia Fierro started it all. Fierro, along with seven other coeds from ASU and eight from the UofA, were chosen for the first Fiesta Bowl queen competition, December 26, 1971. Arizona State beat Florida State, 45-38 in the game's first shootout, but very few fans recall the game's first queen.

The event, sponsored then by the Cudahy Company, was held at the Martha Mitchell Dinner and Fashion Show at Mountain Shadows Resort. The Queen and her court received more than \$1,000 in scholarships from the Cudahy Company.

Unlike the popular TV show before their time, *Queen For a Day,* the winner each year is truly a Queen for a Year. Just ask Sarah Hansen.

Last fall, 200 girls competed for the queen's crown, far more than the original cast in 1971. The winner was

"It was hard to keep up with schoolwork. That and commuting to Phoenix two or three times a week. But it's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

Sarah Hansen, a 20-year-old sophomore from the University of Arizona. "It was amazing," Hansen told the *Arizona Republic*. "Shocking is a better word."

Hansen's family lives in Danville, California. Her father, Tom, is the Commissioner of the Pac-10 Conference. Her parents and friends attended the October selection dinner, although contests such as this are nothing new to Sarah.

In high school, she was nominated for homecoming queen more than once, but always lost out to a good friend. She made up for it by being a cheerleader and excelling in athletics. She competed in track, tennis and gymnastics for more than a decade.

Every weekend in December had Fiesta Bowl-related activities. This was the hardest part of her or any other queen's reign. "It was hard to keep up with schoolwork," said Hansen, the Fiesta Bowl's 18th queen. "That and commuting to Phoenix two or three times a week. But it's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."



University of Arizona's Sarah Hansen.

The junior-to-be is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. As queen she received a \$1,000 scholar-ship from First Interstate Bank, an Esprit wardrobe from Broadway Southwest, Puma USA sportswear, use of a Buick in December, jewelry, a camera and free hair and makeup sessions.

Among the major events during her reign were the *Phoenix Gazette* Fiesta Bowl National Pageant of Bands, the Sunkist Fiesta Bowl Parade, and the Sunkist Fiesta Bowl Football Classic, where Notre Dame defeated West Virginia to win the national championship.

Now played on New Year's Day, the Fiesta Bowl game and surrounding events have come a long, long way since 1971. Coeds like Sarah Hansen are right in the middle of it. Playing a big, big part.

Football Ticket Information

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Arizona State University	. 965-2381	Glendale High School	3200
Arizona Interscholastic Association		Goldwater High School 581-7	838
Arizona Republic Sportsline		Greenway High School	
Fiesta Bowl		Horizon High School	
Phoenix Cardinals	967-1402	Independence High School	
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Glendale School District		Maryvale High School	
Mesa School District		McClintock High School	222
Paradise Valley School District		Mesa High School 898-5	
Phoenix Union School District		Moon Valley High School 588-4	100
Scottsdale School District		Mountain View High School 898-4	900
Tempe School District		North High School	700
Agua Fria High School	. 932-4250	Northwest Community Christian 978-5	134
Alhambra High School	. 271-2022	Paradise Valley High School 867-5	
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Apollo High School	. 435-6300	Phoenix Christian High School 265-4	
Arizona Lutheran High School	268-8686	Phoenix Day School for Deaf 255-3	
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Cactus High School	. 878-1040	Scottsdale Christian High School 996-5	657
Cactus Shadows High School		Seton Catholic High School 963-1	900
Camelback High School		Shadow Mountain High School 867-5	326
Carl Hayden High School	. 271-2400	South Mountain High School	800
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Chandler High School	. 963-4537	Tempe High School	661
Chaparral High School	. 998-6807	Thunderbird High School 866-6	100
Corona del Sol High School	. 838-8888	Tolleson High School	276
Coronado High School	. 990-4304	Trevor Browne High School	100
Cortez High School		Valley Christian High School	412
Deer Valley High School	. 866-5854	Valley Lutheran High School	600
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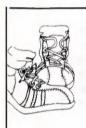


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Westwood: from pg. 19

I've seen in Arizona. Remember all those California schools we used to play at Mesa? They never had anything like that."

Recently, consistency has been the name of the game. Jerry Loper's Warriors had recorded three consecutive 9-3 seasons. That's three playoff games per year. Not bad by any means. But the last trip was the quarterfinals. The bus stopped there.

Maybe it was the "all-orange" uniforms, easy candidates for the "allugly" award. Every home game looked like Halloween. But the Warriors seemed to win in spite of their colors.

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OFFENSE

QB ..Danny White, 6-1, 165 ('69)

HB ..Bob Soza, 6-0, 172 ('66) HB ..Ronnie Bonner, 5-9, 180 ('74)

FB .. Chris Emerson, 6-3, 220 ('78)

WR ..Pat Schabel, 6-1, 185 ('84)

TE ..K.C. Abney, 6-4, 185 ('64)

OT .. Fred Freeman, 6-2, 210 ('76)

OT ..Jim Warner, 6-5, 270 ('84)

OG ..Leon Merkeley, 5-10, 170 ('65)

OG ..Dale Mullenaux, 6-1, 190 ('81) OC ..Steve Pearson, 6-1, 225 ('65)

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DEFENSE:

DB ..Dick Harris, 5-10, 175 ('70) DB ..Kyle Jorgenson, 6-0, 155 ('80)

DB .. Sean Roundtree, 6-0, 180 ('86)

DB ..Rick Flaherty, 6-0, 130 (86)
LB ..Jay Ray Rokey, 5-9, 180 (66)
LB ..Jeff Quinn, 5-11, 190 (67)
LB ..Chris Gump, 5-9, 170 (88)

Richard Griffen, 6-1, 195 ('64)

DL ..Lynn Smith, 5-10, 205 ('69)

DL .. Chris Sorenson, 6-4, 210 ('79)

DL ..Laurel Leavitt, 6-2, 195 ('78)

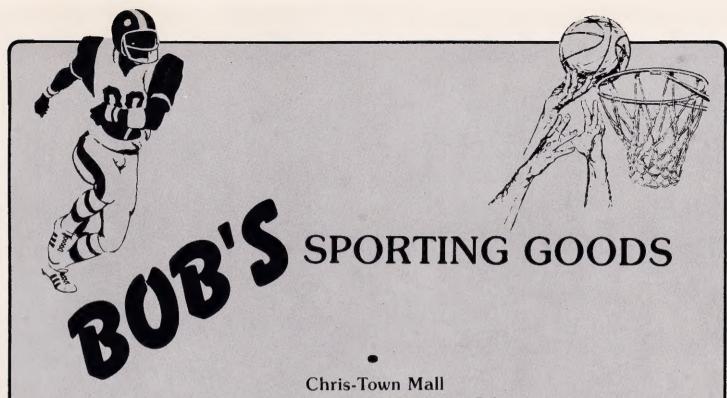
RS .. Pete Mandley, 5-11, 175 ('78) SOURCE: Phoenix Metro Football Magazine

Loper-coached teams win 70% of their games no matter what they wear.

But on December 9, 1988, they were vintage Westwood: orange helmets, white pants and shirts. Exactly 23,487 spectators came through the gates to see them play. On the turf at Sun Devil Stadium they turned Mountain View black & blue, 28-7.

They looked exactly (!!!) like they did on December 5, 1964, in the same stadium. That's when Rudy Santa Cruz booted that 23-yard field goal. It gave Westwood its first state title in only its second year of varsity ball.

Twenty-four years later it happened again. Twenty-four years?! It's hard to believe. But Westwood High is a team the state of Arizona can be proud of.



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